

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
P. O. BOX 2508
CINCINNATI, OH 45201

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: JAN 28 2005

Employer Identification Number:
20-0960855

DLN:

17053209102044

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION INC

Contact Person:

C/O TAX AND RISK MANAGEMENT DEPARTMEN
8605 EXPLORER DR

R HUTCHINS

ID# 52408

COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80920

Contact Telephone Number:

(877) 829-5500

Accounting Period Ending:

SEPTEMBER 30

Form 990 Required:

YES

Effective Date of Exemption:

APRIL 2, 2004

Contribution Deductibility:

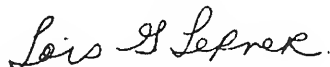
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Dear Applicant:

We are pleased to inform you that upon review of your application for tax-exempt status we have determined that you are exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(04) of the Internal Revenue Code. Because this letter could help resolve any questions regarding your exempt status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

Please see enclosed Information for Organizations Exempt Under Sections Other Than 501(c)(3) for some helpful information about your responsibilities as an exempt organization.

Sincerely,



Lois G. Lerner
Director, Exempt Organizations
Rulings and Agreements

Enclosure: Information for Organizations Exempt Under Sections Other
Than 501(c)(3)

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION INC

INFORMATION FOR ORGANIZATIONS EXEMPT UNDER SECTIONS
OTHER THAN 501(C)(3)

WHERE TO GET FORMS AND HELP

Forms and instructions may be obtained by calling toll free 1-800-829-3676, through the Internet Web Site at www.irs.gov, and also at local tax assistance centers.

Additional information about any topic discussed below may be obtained through our customer service function by calling toll free 1-877-829-5500 between 8:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Eastern time.

NOTIFY US ON THESE MATTERS

If you change your name, address, purposes, operations or sources of financial support, please inform our TE/GE Customer Account Services Office at the following address: Internal Revenue Service, P.O. Box 2508, Cincinnati, Ohio 45201. If you amend your organizational document or by-laws, or dissolve your organization, provide the Customer Account Services Office with a copy of the amended documents. Please use your employer identification number on all returns you file and in all correspondence with the Internal Revenue Service.

FILING REQUIREMENTS

In your exemption letter we indicated whether you must file Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax. Form 990 (or Form 990-EZ) is filed with the Ogden Submission Processing Center, Ogden UT 84201-0027.

You are required to file a Form 990 only if your gross receipts are normally more than \$25,000.

If your gross receipts are normally between \$25,000 and \$100,000, and your total assets are less than \$250,000, you may file Form 990-EZ. If your gross receipts are over \$100,000, or your total assets are over \$250,000, you must file the complete Form 990. The Form 990 instructions show how to compute your "normal" receipts.

If a return is required, it must be filed by the 15th day of the fifth month after the end of your annual accounting period. There are penalties for failing to timely file a complete return. For additional information on penalties, see Form 990 instructions or call our toll free number.

If your receipts are below \$25,000, and we send you a Form 990 Package, follow the instructions in the package on how to complete the limited return to advise us that you are not required to file.

If your exemption letter states that you are not required to file Form 990, you are exempt from these requirements.

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UNRELATED BUSINESS INCOME TAX RETURN

If you receive more than \$1,000 annually in gross receipts from a regular trade or business you may be subject to Unrelated Business Income Tax and required to file Form 990-T, Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return. Special rules for organizations exempt under sections 501(c)(7), (9), (17) and (19) are described in Publication 598.

There are several exceptions to the tax on unrelated business income.

1. Income you receive from the performance of your exempt activity is not unrelated business income.
2. Income from fundraisers conducted by volunteer workers, or where donated merchandise is sold, is not unrelated business income.
3. Income from routine investments such as certificates of deposit, savings accounts, or stock dividends is usually not unrelated business income.

There are special rules for income derived from real estate or other investments purchased with borrowed funds. This income is called "debt financed" income. For additional information regarding unrelated business income tax see Publication 598, Tax on Unrelated Business Income of Exempt Organizations, or call our toll free number shown above.

PUBLIC INSPECTION OF APPLICATION AND INFORMATION RETURN

You are required to make your annual information return, Form 990 or Form 990-EZ, available for public inspection for three years after the later of the due date of the return, or the date the return is filed. You are also required to make available for public inspection your exemption application, any supporting documents, and your exemption letter. Copies of these documents are also required to be provided to any individual upon written or in person request without charge other than reasonable fees for copying and postage. You may fulfill this requirement by placing these documents on the Internet. Penalties may be imposed for failure to comply with these requirements. Additional information is available in Publication 557, Tax-Exempt Status for Your Organization, or you may call our toll free number shown above.

EXCESS BENEFIT TRANSACTIONS

(Applies to 501(c)(4) organizations)

Excess benefit transactions are governed by section 4958 of the Code. Excess benefit transactions involve situations where a section 501(c)(4) organization provides an unreasonable benefit to a person who is in a position to exercise substantial influence over the organization's affairs. If you believe there may be an excess benefit transaction involving your organization, you should report the transaction on Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. Additional information can

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be found in the instructions for Form 990 and Form 990-EZ, or you may call our toll-free number to obtain additional information on how to correct and report this transaction.

EMPLOYMENT TAXES

If you have employees, you are subject to income tax withholding and the social security taxes imposed under the Federal Insurance Contribution Act (FICA). You are required to withhold Federal income tax from your employee's wages and you are required to pay FICA on each employee who is paid more than \$100 in wages during a calendar year. To know how much income tax to withhold, you should have a Form W-4, Employee's Withholding Allowance Certificate, on file for each employee.

You are also liable for tax under the Federal Unemployment Tax (FUTA) for each employee you pay \$50 or more during a calendar quarter if, during the current or preceding calendar year, you had one or more employees at any time in each of 20 calendar weeks or you paid wages of \$1,500 or more in any calendar quarter.

Employment taxes are reported on Form 941, Employer's Quarterly Federal Tax Return. The requirements for withholding, depositing, reporting and paying employment taxes are explained in Circular E, Employer's Tax Guide, (Publication 15), and Employer's Supplemental Tax Guide, (Publication 15-A). These publications explain your tax responsibilities as an employer.

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Form **8718**
(Rev. November 2003)
Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

User Fee for Exempt Organization Determination Letter Request

▶ Attach this form to determination letter application.
(Form 8718 is NOT a determination letter application.)

For
IRS
Use
Only

OMB No. 1545-1798

Control number

Amount paid

User fee screener

1 Name of organization

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION, INC.

2 Employer Identification Number

20-0960855

Caution: Do not attach Form 8718 to an application for a pension plan determination letter. Use Form 8717 instead.

3 Type of request

Fee

- a ☐ Initial request for a determination letter for:
- An exempt organization that has had annual gross receipts averaging not more than \$10,000 during the preceding 4 years, or
 - A new organization that anticipates gross receipts averaging not more than \$10,000 during its first 4 years ▶ \$150
- Note:** If you checked box 3a, you must complete the Certification below.

Certification

I certify that the annual gross receipts of

name of organization

have averaged (or are expected to average) not more than \$10,000 during the preceding 4 (or the first 4) years of operation.

Signature ▶

Title ▶

- b ☒ Initial request for a determination letter for:
- An exempt organization that has had annual gross receipts averaging more than \$10,000 during the preceding 4 years or
 - A new organization that anticipates gross receipts averaging more than \$10,000 during its first 4 years . . ▶ \$500
- c ☐ Group exemption letters ▶ \$500

Instructions

The law requires payment of a user fee with each application for a determination letter. The user fees are listed on line 3 above. For more information, see Rev. Proc. 2003-8, 2003-1, I.R.B. 236, or latest annual update.

Check the box or boxes on line 3 for the type of application you are submitting. If you check box 3a, you must complete and sign the certification statement that appears under line 3a.

Attach to Form 8718 a check or money order payable to the "United States Treasury" for the full amount of the user fee. If you do not include the full amount, your application will be returned. Attach Form 8718 to your determination letter application.

Generally, the user fee will be refunded only if the Internal Revenue Service declines to issue a determination.

Where To File

Send the determination letter application and Form 8718 to:

Internal Revenue Service
P.O. Box 192
Covington, KY 41012-0192

If you are using express mail or a delivery service, send the application and Form 8718 to:

Internal Revenue Service
201 West Rivercenter Blvd.
Attn: Extracting Stop 312
Covington, KY 41011

Paperwork Reduction Act Notice. We ask for the information on this form to carry out the Internal Revenue laws of the United States. If you want your organization to be recognized as tax-exempt by the IRS, you are required to give us this information. We need it to determine whether the organization meets the legal requirements for tax-exempt status.

You are not required to provide the information requested on a form that is subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act unless the form displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a form or its instructions must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any Internal Revenue law. The rules governing the confidentiality of Form 8718 are covered in Code section 6104.

The time needed to complete and file this form will vary depending on individual circumstances. The estimated average time is 5 minutes. If you have comments concerning the accuracy of this time estimate or suggestions for making this form simpler, we would be happy to hear from you. You can write to the Tax Products Coordinating Committee, Western Area Distribution Center, Rancho Cordova, CA 95743-0001. Do not send this form to this address. Instead, see **Where To File** above.

Attach Check or Money Order Here

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Form **1024**

(Rev. September 1998)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Application for Recognition of Exemption
Under Section 501(a)**

OMB No. 1545-0057

If exempt status is approved,
this application will be open
for public inspection.

Read the instructions for each Part carefully. **A User Fee must be attached to this application.**
If the required information and appropriate documents are not submitted along with Form 8718 (with payment
of the appropriate user fee), the application may be returned to the organization.

Complete the Procedural Checklist on page 6 of the instructions.**Part I. Identification of Applicant** (Must be completed by all applicants; also complete appropriate schedule.)
Submit only the schedule that applies to your organization. Do not submit blank schedules.

Check the appropriate box below to indicate the section under which the organization is applying:

- a ☐ Section 501(c)(2) — Title holding corporations (Schedule A, page 7)
- b ☒ Section 501(c)(4) — Civic leagues, social welfare organizations (including certain war veterans organizations), or local associations of employees (Schedule B, page 8)
- c ☐ Section 501(c)(5) — Labor, agricultural, or horticultural organizations (Schedule C, page 9)
- d ☐ Section 501(c)(6) — Business leagues, chambers of commerce, etc. (Schedule C, page 9)
- e ☐ Section 501(c)(7) — Social clubs (Schedule D, page 11)
- f ☐ Section 501(c)(8) — Fraternal beneficiary societies, etc., providing life, sick, accident, or other benefits to members (Schedule E, page 13)
- g ☐ Section 501(c)(9) — Voluntary employees' beneficiary associations (Parts I through IV and Schedule F, page 14)
- h ☐ Section 501(c)(10) — Domestic fraternal societies, orders, etc., not providing life, sick, accident, or other benefits (Schedule E, page 13)
- i ☐ Section 501(c)(12) — Benevolent life insurance associations, mutual ditch or irrigation companies, mutual or cooperative telephone companies, or like organizations (Schedule G, page 15)
- j ☐ Section 501(c)(13) — Cemeteries, crematoria, and like corporations (Schedule H, page 16)
- k ☐ Section 501(c)(15) — Mutual insurance companies or associations, other than life or marine (Schedule I, page 17)
- l ☐ Section 501(c)(17) — Trusts providing for the payment of supplemental unemployment compensation benefits (Parts I through IV and Schedule J, page 18)
- m ☐ Section 501(c)(19) — A post, organization, auxiliary unit, etc., of past or present members of the Armed Forces of the United States (Schedule K, page 19)
- n ☐ Section 501(c)(25) — Title holding corporations or trusts (Schedule A, page 7)

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1a Full name of organization (as shown in organizing document)

2 Employer identification number (EIN) (if none,
see **Specific Instructions** on page 2)

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION, INC.

20-0960855

1b c/o Name (if applicable)

3 Name and telephone number of person to be
contacted if additional information is needed

TAX AND RISK MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

1c Address (number and street)

Room/Suite

8605 EXPLORER DRIVE

1d City, town or post office, state, and ZIP + 4. If you have a foreign address, see **Specific
Instructions** for Part I, page 2.

WADE CROW

(719) 531-3459

COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80920

1e Web site address

4 Month the annual accounting period ends

5 Date incorporated or formed

WWW.FOCUSACTION.ORG

SEPTEMBER

APRIL 2, 2004

6 Did the organization previously apply for recognition of exemption under this Code section or under any other section of the Code? ... ☐ Yes ☒ No
If "Yes," attach an explanation.7 Has the organization filed Federal income tax returns or exempt organization information returns? ... ☐ Yes ☒ No
If "Yes," state the form numbers, years filed, and Internal Revenue office where filed.

N/A

8 Check the box for the type of organization. ATTACH A CONFORMED COPY OF THE CORRESPONDING ORGANIZING DOCUMENTS TO THE
APPLICATION BEFORE MAILING.

- a ☒ Corporation — Attach a copy of the Articles of Incorporation (including amendments and restatements) showing approval by the appropriate state
official; also attach a copy of the bylaws.
- b ☐ Trust — Attach a copy of the Trust Indenture or Agreement, including all appropriate signatures and dates.
- c ☐ Association — Attach a copy of the Articles of Association, Constitution, or other creating document, with a declaration (see instructions) or other
evidence that the organization was formed by adoption of the document by more than one person. Also include a copy of the bylaws.

If this is a corporation or an unincorporated association that has not yet adopted bylaws, check here ... ☐I declare under the penalties of perjury that I am authorized to sign this application on behalf of the above organization, and that I have examined this
application, including the accompanying schedules and attachments, and to the best of my knowledge it is true, correct, and complete.PLEASE
SIGN
HERE
(Signature)

MARK A. BUZZETTA, CFO

(Type or print name and title or authority of signer)

7/22/04
(Date)

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see page 5 of the instructions.

Part II. Activities and Operational Information (Must be completed by all applicants)

- 1 Provide a detailed narrative description of all the activities of the organization — past, present, and planned. Do not merely refer to or repeat the language in the organizational document. List each activity separately in the order of importance based on the relative time and other resources devoted to the activity. Indicate the percentage of time for each activity. Each description should include, as a minimum, the following: (a) a detailed description of the activity including its purpose and how each activity furthers your exempt purpose; (b) when the activity was or will be initiated; and (c) where and by whom the activity will be conducted.

SEE STATEMENT 1

- 2 List the organization's present and future sources of financial support, beginning with the largest source first.
- FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION, INC IS IN THE PROCESS OF SOLICITING NON-DEDUCTIBLE CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO ESTABLISH A MEMBERSHIP BASE. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THIS ORGANIZATION WILL BE FUNDED PREDOMINATELY FROM SMALL DONATIONS FROM MULTIPLE INDIVIDUALS AND EXCLUSIVELY FROM NON-CORPORATE SOURCES.

STATEMENT 1

Focus on the Family Action, Inc was organized as a religious corporation on April 2, 2004 and is not organized for the private gain of any person. It is organized under the Colorado Nonprofit Corporation Act for religious purposes. The Corporation is formed for the express purpose of spreading and propagating the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and to provide an educational service to parents and others who are concerned with healthy family living, toward the end of strengthening the family in its varied dimensions.

LOBBYING / SOCIAL WELFARE SPECIFIC ACTIVITY

**40.5% OF EXPENDITURES FOR ANTICIPATED FIRST FISCAL YEAR
(SHORT-PERIOD) ACTIVITY**

Focus on the Family Action, Inc will specifically be active in the promotion of social welfare by addressing the Christian community and the Christian's responsibility in the public policy arena, both locally and nationally. This organization will use regular media channels, such as radio, television, periodicals, the Internet and events to discuss critical legislation and policy matters that significantly impact Christian world view issues. The organization will also be a vehicle to discuss practical means for Christians to become educated and involved in public policy matters. The organization will encourage Christians to be aware of and involved in their civic duties.

This organization will focus on policy matters such as: Federal and state constitutional amendments to protect marriage as an institution between one man and one woman, the protection of human life in all its various forms, and the appropriate role of state and Federal judicial systems as designed by the founding fathers of the United States of America.

Specific planned activities of Focus on the Family Action, Inc. beginning in June 1, 2004 and occurring over the current fiscal year:

2004 CITIZENSHIP RALLIES – VP, TOM MINNERY

This fall, Focus on the Family Action, Inc. will be conducting a series of rallies, titled Stand for the Family Rallies, to help promote pro-family participation during the coming election season. These rallies will focus on getting Christians out to vote in November based on their conscience and values. The purpose of the rallies are as follows: to motivate Christians to become active citizens, to raise the importance of critical policy issues such as the redefinition of marriage, to spotlight the positions of candidates for key offices and rally citizens to lobby them on those issues. It is important to note that these will not be "political" rallies. No candidates are invited, and Focus on the Family Action will not endorse or oppose candidates. A wealth of citizenship information will be available at the rallies including voter registration packets, voter guides, etc. Six rallies

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are currently planned - One in each of the following locations: Charlotte NC (on September 6, 2004), Raleigh NC (on September 7, 2004), Baton Rouge LA (on September 27, 2004), Shreveport LA (on September 28, 2004), Sioux Falls SD (on October 4, 2004), and Rapid City SD (on October 5, 2004). Dr. James Dobson will be joined by Wellington Boone (pastor, author and featured Promise Keepers speaker), Tony Perkins (president of the Family Research Council), and Gary Bauer (chairman of the Campaign for Working Families) to speak in detail on pro-family issues and the need for Christians to get out and vote.

BROADCAST – VPs, TOM MINNERY and JOHN FULLER

Dr. Dobson and other Focus on the Family Action, Inc. employees will be using radio and possibly television to educate and discuss critical legislative matters (including how listeners and viewers can become more actively involved) important to strengthening the family and providing a cultural foundation where the Gospel of Jesus Christ can be shared and accepted freely. Some of these broadcasts, paid for and provided by Focus on the Family Action, will use broadcast channels of the Focus on the Family Broadcast and Family News in Focus.

MAGAZINE AND PERIODICAL ARTICLES – VP, TOM MINNERY

Dr. Dobson and other Focus on the Family Action, Inc. employees will be developing and issuing articles on pro-family legislation, including how readers can become more involved. These articles will be paid for by Focus on the Family Action and provided in Focus on the Family Magazine and Focus on the Family Citizen Magazine, as well as other available sources.

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION WEBSITE – VP, ROB FLANEGIN

Focus on the Family Action has developed www.Focusaction.org to provide an on-line resource to discuss pro-family legislation and provide a means for members and constituents to learn about upcoming Focus on the Family Action activities and events.

MARRIAGE UNDER FIRE BY DR. DOBSON – VP, TOM MINNERY

Dr. James C. Dobson has authored a book to discuss the perils of same-sex marriage to the family and the culture in general. This book will be an offering of Focus on the Family Action, among other book distributors. Dr. Dobson will be waiving all royalties associated with Focus on the Family Action and/or Focus on the Family's offering of this critical resource to and for families across the nation.

Focus on the Family Action, Inc employs and has volunteers that are experts in policy matters to discuss the issues with Christians and the public in general.

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**RELIGIOUS / EDUCATIONAL / SOCIAL WELFARE SPECIFIC
ACTIVITY**

**59.5% OF EXPENDITURES FOR ANTICIPATED FIRST FISCAL YEAR
(SHORT-PERIOD) ACTIVITY**

In addition to its focus on policy matters, as a religious organization formed to propagate the Gospel of Jesus Christ and provide educational services to strengthen the family, beginning June 7, 2004, Focus on the Family Action employees have begun working in association with Focus on the Family employees to conduct the following program services:

BROADCAST MINISTRIES

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY BROADCAST – VP, JOHN FULLER

The vast radio network carrying the daily Focus on the Family broadcast continues to expand in the number of facilities and programs offered. Every week it is aired on nearly 2,000 facilities throughout the U.S. with hundreds more around the world. These timely programs cover concerns facing today's families and provide a welcome source of encouragement and direction. From the daily English program, a daily 15-minute program is excerpted, scripted and then translated into French, Russian and Spanish airing on hundreds of stations across Europe, the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS), and Latin America. In addition to daily broadcast host, Dr. James Dobson, this broadcast features a lineup of guest hosts that include psychologist-in-residence Dr. Bill Maier, physician Dr. Walt Larimore, Life on the Edge host Susie Shellenberger, and Heritage Builders representatives Kurt and Olivia Bruner. This daily broadcast is offered as a resource in cassette and/or CD format.

FAMILY NEWS IN FOCUS BROADCAST – VP, TOM MINNERY

This daily radio news and commentary program informs citizens about current events, and challenges them to take action on pro-family matters. Over 1,550 facilities carry this feature, which is released via three formats: daily 2-minute or 5-minute versions, and a weekly 30-minute version. News segments are posted daily online and archived for over 6 weeks.

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY COMMENTARY BROADCAST – VP, JOHN FULLER

This 90-second practical "family help" spot, featuring commentary by Dr. James Dobson, is now carried every day by more than 325 general market radio stations. Eight out of the top 10 national markets broadcast this feature, including KNX in Los Angeles and WOR in New York City. Families around the world are finding Dr. Dobson's advice meeting

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needs in their lives as well. Not only is the English language commentary heard in dozens of cities like Singapore and Johannesburg, it is also translated into eight languages and airs in such countries as Argentina, Indonesia, mainland China, and Slovakia.

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY COMMENTARY TV – VP, JOHN FULLER

This 90-second feature brings insightful commentary from Dr. James Dobson to mainstream, major network television affiliates across the U.S. Ninety-five ABC, NBC, CBS, and Fox stations, including WCPO-TV in Cincinnati and KRQE-TV in Albuquerque, carry the feature.

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY WEEKEND MAGAZINE – VP, JOHN FULLER

This popular production provides general market radio stations with a pre-produced hour-long program that airs once a week. Creative elements such as "on-the-street interviews," dramas, and music are combined with studio interviews Dr. Dobson has held with different guests on a wide variety of topics. The result is an entertaining and informative program that brings valuable information on a specific topic each week. The program is designed to reach audiences who may not be Christian but are in need of solid, morally based advice and information to strengthen their marriages and families.

JAMES DOBSON FAMILY MINUTE BROADCAST – VP, JOHN FULLER

This 60-second radio spot, the first of its kind to be syndicated on compact disc, is composed of excerpts from the 30-minute broadcast. It presents a gem of useful family-related information while also serving as an introduction for new listeners to the daily program. JDFM has grown dramatically since its inception, now airing on over 1,350 facilities in the United States with dozens more overseas.

ONLINE MINISTRIES

FAMILY.ORG – VP, ROB FLANEGIN (www.family.org)

The flagship Web site for Focus on the Family draws a consistently growing audience of about 70,000 visitors per day, providing a powerful potential to extend the reach of the best marriage and parenting materials available toward hurting families through an instant-access medium. Information provided online serves to supplement the resource requests received via phone or letter. This includes the creation of special collections of articles, resources and links to give visitors the latest and best resources available already sorted by topic. With the introduction of streaming media technology, bulletin boards and live chat events, these online ministries will be able to provide more up-to-date information than ever before.

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YOUNG FAMILIES – VP, ROB FLANEGIN (www.family.org/parentsplace, www.family.org/married, www.pluggedinmag.com, www.heritagebuilders.com, www.single-parentfamily.com)

Parenting and marriage topics are addressed on these sites. With Focus on the Family's continued emphasis on strengthening homes, parents visiting these sites can find help they need to stay close to their children and each other. Single parents can get a boost of encouragement from www.single-parentfamily.com, a site designed to bolster those who have what Dr. James Dobson has called "the toughest job in the world."

CHILDREN AND TEENS – VP, ROB FLANEGIN (www.clubhousemagazine.com, www.whitsend.org, www.briomag.com and www.breakawaymag.com)

Through the Clubhouse, Whit's End, Brio, and Breakaway Web sites, Focus on the Family meets the needs of kids of all ages while providing a safe place to grow in their faith. The sites for younger kids provide fun articles, recipes, activity suggestions, poems and games. The teen sites not only prepare their readers for the adult years, but tackle transition and cultural issues teens are facing today.

FRONTLINE SITES – VP, ROB FLANEGIN (www.citizenlink.org, www.focusoneducation.com, www.pureintimacy.org, www.parsonage.org and www.family.org/prayer)

Policy issues, educational issues, and pornography addiction are addressed by three sites—CitizenLink, Focus on Education, and Pure Intimacy. Every American has a responsibility to take an active role in our country's political process, and the CitizenLink site provides specific resources to make the task of staying up-to-date on policy issues manageable. Families facing the blight of pornography addiction can find resources to aid in that struggle on the Pure Intimacy site. Pastors are served with support and direct assistance on the frontline through www.parsonage.org.

PERIODICALS

BREAKAWAY MAGAZINE – VP, PAUL McCUSKER

Breakaway is our magazine outreach to teen boys. With a subscription base of around 86,000, it showcases positive male role models and offers sound advice on avoiding the pitfalls of adolescence. Every month young men learn to maintain their faith in God and to develop a deep-rooted Christian character.

BRIO MAGAZINE – VP, PAUL McCUSKER

Brio is a style-setting magazine read by over 188,000 teen girls who rely on it for tips, advice, and spiritual guidance in dealing with the storms of life common to the teenage years. It presents positive role models and emphasizes making right choices. An award-winning publication, Brio is our most popular periodical.

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FAMILY NEWS FROM DR. JAMES DOBSON MONTHLY NEWSLETTER – RON RENO

This monthly newsletter serves as the major avenue for expression of Dr. Dobson's own personal concerns and thoughts on a variety of issues.

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY CITIZEN MAGAZINE – VP, TOM MINNERY

Focus on the Family Citizen is a 32-page, four-color, monthly newsmagazine with a circulation of 61,000. It seeks to inform readers about how God is working through faithful believers to display His redemptive power in issues such as abortion, religious liberty, homosexual activism, and sex education. Readers in states with active Family Policy Councils also receive four-page customized inserts that carry news of pro-family matters in their respective states.

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY CLUBHOUSE MAGAZINE – VP, PAUL McCUSKER

In serving nearly 107,000 of our intermediate readers, ages 8-12, Focus on the Family Clubhouse presents a fun mix of contemporary, classic, and biblical tales, articles, and games.

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY CLUBHOUSE, JR. MAGAZINE – VP, PAUL McCUSKER

This colorful, high-quality magazine, geared for ages 4-8, contains simple stories, crafts, and puzzles designed to delight the 95,000 children who receive it. An emphasis on Christian values makes this an ideal resource for our youngest readers.

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY MAGAZINE – VP, PAUL McCUSKER

Our flagship publication is the ministry's official voice in print, providing over 2.5 million households with articles on topics of crucial relevance to the family, monthly programming updates, and Dr. James Dobson's unique insights. Special editions of the magazine are produced for the unique needs of pastor and single parent homes as well as an edition for parents of young children.

PLUGGED IN MAGAZINE – VP, PAUL McCUSKER

Written in an easy-to-read format, this monthly publication conveys information, insight, and reviews of the popular media forms of youth culture. Especially helpful to parents are the close-up looks at secular music, movies, television, and advertising, all of which target the minds and hearts of teens. Plugged In aids over 50,000 parents and youth leaders.

PERSONAL TOUCH MINISTRIES

BRIARGATE MEDIA – VP, JOHN FULLER

This department serves in the placement and promotion of Focus on the Family media

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products, such as various radio and TV programs and print publications, to the broadcast and print media — both general market and religious.

CORPORATE OUTREACH – VP, MAC McQUISTON

The needs of corporate America gave birth to this two-fold outreach. The Family Center, located in 563 corporations and businesses across the nation, many of which are Fortune 500 companies, serves as a lending library. Developed to help employees respond to the stresses of family life — marital, parental, financial, or health-related — and problems on the job, the center includes a display unit that holds 85 different resources which provide employees with values-based books, audiocassettes, and videos for personal and family enrichment. The CEO Forum exists to serve the needs of high level professionals who work in a high stress environment. This includes semi-annual CEO Forums, quarterly conference calls, white papers, getaway weekends, and mentoring.

DIRECT MAIL RESOURCES – VP, PAUL McCUSKER/RON RENO

Practical help for families is offered in a monthly newsletter written by Dr. James Dobson and sent to over two million individuals. This medium has proven to be an effective means of sharing comments on the home, faith, and freedom. It also serves to highlight available family-building resources. In addition, this division supplies information designed to meet the specific needs of our constituency, including pastors and physicians.

"FOCUS ON THE FAMILY WITH DR. JAMES DOBSON" NEWSPAPER COLUMN – RON RENO

Each week millions of readers search for the answers to questions about family life. This question-and-answer column now appears weekly in 550 newspapers, including leading publications like The Denver Post, The Washington Times and even some international English language newspapers.

STATE FAMILY POLICY COUNCILS – VP, TOM MINNERY

This project entails the founding, development, and nurturing of independent non-profit state organizations for the purpose of coordinating and strengthening grass-roots pro-family activism on a local level. The majority of work is devoted to organizing a board of directors, consisting largely of business professionals, who oversee the formation, strategy, and fundraising for the organization. Our staff also concentrates on finding and developing experienced professionals to serve as full-time executive directors for the councils.

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION, INC.

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STATEMENT 1 (CONTINUE)

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

FINANCE/LEGAL – CFO/VP, MARK BUZZETTA

This division supports the general accounting and financial reporting, legal and contract, financial analysis, survey and measurement, and tax/insurance/risk management needs of Focus on the Family Action and Focus on the Family.

HUMAN RESOURCE – VP, RON WILSON

This division supports all personnel hiring, training, employee relations, compensation/benefits administration, termination, volunteer, employee health and wellness issues, etc needs of Focus on the Family Action and Focus on the Family.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES – VP, DAN BURKE

This division supports all computer hardware and software, network administration, network security, telephone and telecom, etc needs of Focus on the Family Action and Focus on the Family.

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION, INC.**FEIN: 20-0960855**

**Current listing of the Officers, Directors and Trustees of Focus On The Family
Action, Inc.**

STATEMENT 2

They can all be reached at the following address:

8605 Explorer Dr.

Colorado Springs, CO 80920

(866) 655-4545

Officers

<i>Name</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Annual Compensation</i>
Dr. James C. Dobson, Ph. D.	Chairman	None
Donald Paul Hodel	President	None
Dr. Ted Engstrom, L.H.D.	Vice Chairman	None
Lee Eaton	Secretary	None
Stephen W. Reed	Assistant Secretary	None
Bobb Biehl, M.A.	Treasurer	None
Thomas R. Mason	Assistant Treasurer	\$160,044.82
Mark A. Buzzetta	Chief Financial Officer	\$114,749.99

Board of Directors

<i>Name</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Annual Compensation</i>
Dr. James C. Dobson, Ph. D.	Chairman	None
Donald Paul Hodel	President	None
Ted Engstrom, L.H.D.	Vice Chairman	None
Lee Eaton	Secretary	None
Bobb Biehl, M.A.	Treasurer	None
Lt. Gen. Patrick Caruana, M.S.	Member	None
Shirley Dobson	Member	None
Robert E. Hamby, C.P.A.	Member	None
Elsa Prince Broekhuizen	Member	None
Anthony Wauterlek	Member	None
Daniel L. Villanueva	Member	None
Steve Largent	Member	None

Trustees - None

STATEMENT 3

Based on the Articles of Incorporation, Focus on the Family Action, Inc upon the voluntary or involuntary dissolution of the Corporation, the Directors shall, after paying or making provision for payment of all of the liabilities of the Corporation, dispose of all assets of the Corporation exclusively for the purposes of the Corporation in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, scientific, or public welfare purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization under Code Section 501(c)(3) or Code Section 501(c)(4), as the Board shall determine.

STATEMENT 4

Focus on the Family Action, Inc is leasing office facilities from Focus on the Family, a qualified 501(c)(3) religious corporation that has the same Officers and Directors as Focus on the Family Action, Inc. Focus on the Family Action, Inc will be paying Focus on the Family fair market value for the use of its facilities based on actual square footage used. Currently, Focus on the Family action, Inc is paying Focus on the Family just over \$2,000 a month in rental fees. A copy of the lease agreement is attached for further detail related to this arms-length arrangement.

STATEMENT 5

Focus on the Family Action jointly publishes many educational materials with Focus on the Family as described in Statement 1 under Religious, Educational, and Social Welfare Specific Activity. Focus on the Family Action also publishes occasional lobby communications exclusive of Focus on the Family as described in Statement 1 under Lobby/Social Welfare Specific Activity. Samples of these publications are enclosed.

Part II. Activities and Operational Information (continued)**3** Give the following information about the organization's governing body:

a Names, addresses, and titles of officers, directors, trustees, etc.	b Annual compensation
SEE STATEMENT 2	

4 If the organization is the outgrowth or continuation of any form of predecessor, state the name of each predecessor, the period during which it was in existence, and the reasons for its termination. Submit copies of all papers by which any transfer of assets was effected. FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION, INC IS A NEW CORPORATION. IT WAS ORGANIZED BY CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS FOR THE PURPOSE OF MOVING ALL LOBBYING ACTIVITY FROM FOCUS ON THE FAMILY TO FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION, INC. FOCUS ON THE FAMILY WILL CONTINUE TO OPERATE AS A RELIGIOUS AND EDUCATIONAL ORGANIZATION. FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION, INC WILL ENGAGE IN RELIGIOUS, EDUCATIONAL, LOBBYING AND AN INSUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF POLITICAL ACTIVITY.

5 If the applicant organization is now, or plans to be, connected in any way with any other organization, describe the other organization and explain the relationship (e.g., financial support on a continuing basis; shared facilities or employees; same officers, directors, or trustees). FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION, INC HAS THE SAME OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS AS FOCUS ON THE FAMILY, A QUALIFIED 501(C)(3) TAX-EXEMPT RELIGIOUS CORPORATION. FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION, INC MAY USE CERTAIN FACILITIES AND/OR SERVICES OF FOCUS ON THE FAMILY. IF SO, FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION, INC WILL REIMBURSE FOCUS ON THE FAMILY AT FAIR MARKET VALUE FOR SUCH FACILITIES AND/OR SERVICES.

6 If the organization has capital stock issued and outstanding, state: (1) class or classes of the stock; (2) number and par value of the shares; (3) consideration for which they were issued; and (4) if any dividends have been paid or whether your organization's creating instrument authorizes dividend payments on any class of capital stock.

N/A

7 State the qualifications necessary for membership in the organization; the classes of membership (with the number of members in each class); and the voting rights and privileges received. If any group or class of persons is required to join, describe the requirement and explain the relationship between those members and members who join voluntarily. Submit copies of any membership solicitation material. Attach sample copies of all types of membership certificates issued. CORPORATION NON-VOTING MEMBERSHIP IS OPEN TO INDIVIDUALS WHO SUPPORT FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION, INC'S PURPOSES AND POLICIES. MEMBERSHIP MAY BE OBTAINED BY (1) PAYING DUES ANNUALLY AS PRESCRIBED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ("BOARD"), AND (2) AFFIRMING ANNUALLY THE DESIRE TO BE A MEMBER AS PRESCRIBED BY THE BOARD.

8 Explain how your organization's assets will be distributed on dissolution.

SEE STATEMENT 3

Part II. Activities and Operational Information (continued)

- 9 Has the organization made or does it plan to make any distribution of its property or surplus funds to shareholders or members? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If "Yes," state the full details, including: (1) amounts or value; (2) source of funds or property distributed or to be distributed; and (3) basis or, and authority for, distribution or planned distribution.

N/A

- 10 Does, or will, any part of your organization's receipts represent payments for services performed or to be performed? ☒ Yes ☐ No
If "Yes," state in detail the amount received and the character of the services performed or to be performed.
AT TIMES, EMPLOYEES OF FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION, INC MAY PROVIDE SERVICES TO FOCUS ON THE FAMILY, A QUALIFIED 501(C)(3) RELIGIOUS CORPORATION. FOCUS ON THE FAMILY MAY REIMBURSE FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION, INC FOR SUCH SERVICES.

- 11 Has the organization made, or does it plan to make, any payments to members or shareholders for services performed or to be performed? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If "Yes," state in detail the amount paid, the character of the services, and to whom the payments have been, or will be, made.

N/A

- 12 Does the organization have any arrangement to provide insurance for members, their dependents, or others (including provisions for the payment of sick or death benefits, pensions, or annuities)? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If "Yes," describe and explain the arrangement's eligibility rules and attach a sample copy of each plan document and each type of policy issued.

N/A

- 13 Is the organization under the supervisory jurisdiction of any public regulatory body, such as a social welfare agency, etc.? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If "Yes," submit copies of all administrative opinions or court decisions regarding this supervision, as well as copies of applications or requests for the opinions or decisions.

- 14 Does the organization now lease or does it plan to lease any property? ☒ Yes ☐ No
If "Yes," explain in detail. Include the amount of rent, a description of the property, and any relationship between the applicant organization and the other party. Also, attach a copy of any rental or lease agreement. (If the organization is a party, as a lessor, to multiple leases of rental real property under similar lease agreements, please attach a single representative copy of the leases.)

SEE STATEMENT 4

- 15 Has the organization spent or does it plan to spend any money attempting to influence the selection, nomination, election, or appointment of any person to any Federal, state, or local public office or to an office in a political organization? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If "Yes," explain in detail and list the amounts spent or to be spent in each case.

AT THIS TIME, FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION, INC DOES NOT HAVE PLANS TO ENGAGE IN POLITICAL ACTIVITIES. IN ANY CASE, FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION, INC WILL NOT CONDUCT MORE THAN AN INSUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF POLITICAL ACTIVITIES DURING THE COURSE OF NORMAL EXEMPT PURPOSE OPERATIONS.

- 16 Does the organization publish pamphlets, brochures, newsletters, journals, or similar printed material? ☒ Yes ☐ No
If "Yes," attach a recent copy of each.

SEE STATEMENT 5

Part III. Financial Data (Must be completed by all applicants)

Complete the financial statements for the current year and for each of the 3 years immediately before it. If in existence less than 4 years, complete the statements for each year in existence. If in existence less than 1 year, also provide proposed budgets for the 2 years following the current year.

A. Statement of Revenue and Expenses

Revenue	(a) Current Tax Year	3 Prior Tax Years or Proposed Budget for Next 2 Years			(e) Total
	From 4/1/04 To 9/30/04	FYE (b) 9/30/05	FYE (c) 9/30/06	(d) N/A	
1 Gross dues and assessments of members . . .	50,000	55,000	60,500		165,500
2 Gross contributions, gifts, etc.	4,800,000	6,195,000	6,989,500		17,984,500
3 Gross amounts derived from activities related to the organization's exempt purpose (attach schedule) (Include related cost of sales on line 9.) . . . STMT 6	3,900,000	8,280,000	8,523,000		20,703,000
4 Gross amounts from unrelated business activities (attach schedule) . . .	0	0	0		0
5 Gain from sale of assets, excluding inventory items (attach schedule)	0	0	0		0
6 Investment income (see page 3 of the instructions)	0	0	0		0
7 Other revenue (attach schedule)	0	0	0		0
8 Total revenue (add lines 1 through 7)	8,750,000	14,530,000	15,573,000		38,853,000
Expenses					
9 Expenses attributable to activities related to the organization's exempt purposes	2,100,000	2,900,000	3,400,000		8,400,000
10 Expenses attributable to unrelated business activities	0	0	0		0
11 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)	0	0	0		0
12 Disbursements to or for the benefit of members (attach schedule) . . .	0	0	0		0
13 Compensation of officers, directors, and trustees (attach schedule) . . . STMT 7	91,600	283,000	291,500		666,100
14 Other salaries and wages	4,351,400	8,917,000	9,178,500		22,446,900
15 Interest	0	0	0		0
16 Occupancy	29,000	60,000	62,000		151,000
17 Depreciation and depletion	0	0	0		0
18 Other expenses (attach schedule) . . . STMT 8	1,500,000	2,065,000	2,265,000		5,830,000
19 Total expenses (add lines 9 through 18)	8,072,000	14,225,000	15,197,000		37,494,000
20 Excess of revenue over expenses (line 8 minus line 19)	678,000	305,000	376,000		1,359,000

B. Balance Sheet (at the end of the period shown)

Assets		Current Tax Year as of 9/30/04	
1 Cash		1	1,028,000
2 Accounts receivable, net		2	0
3 Inventories		3	0
4 Bonds and notes receivable (attach schedule)		4	0
5 Corporate stocks (attach schedule)		5	0
6 Mortgage loans (attach schedule)		6	0
7 Other investments (attach schedule)		7	0
8 Depreciable and depletable assets (attach schedule)	OFFICE EQUIPMENT	8	1,000
9 Land		9	0
10 Other assets (attach schedule)	PREPAID EXPENSES	10	1,000
11 Total assets		11	1,030,000
Liabilities			
12 Accounts payable		12	352,000
13 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., payable		13	0
14 Mortgages and notes payable (attach schedule)		14	0
15 Other liabilities (attach schedule)		15	0
16 Total liabilities		16	352,000
Fund Balances or Net Assets			
17 Total fund balances or net assets		17	678,000
18 Total liabilities and fund balances or net assets (add line 16 and line 17)		18	1,030,000

If there has been any substantial change in any aspect of the organization's financial activities since the end of the period shown above, check the box and attach a detailed explanation. ☐

STATEMENT 6

LINE 3 -

GROSS AMOUNTS DERIVED FROM ACTIVITIES RELATED TO THE ORGANIZATION'S EXEMPT PURPOSE

DESCRIPTION	FYE 9/30/04	FYE 9/30/05	FYE 9/30/06
CONTRIBUTION FROM FOCUS ON THE FAMILY FOR FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES	3,900,000	8,280,000	8,523,000
TOTAL	3,900,000	8,280,000	8,523,000

STATEMENT 7

LINE 13 - COMPENSATION OF OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AND TRUSTEES

DESCRIPTION	FYE 9/30/04	FYE 9/30/05	FYE 9/30/06
THOMAS R. MASON, ASSISTANT TREASURER	53,400	164,800	169,750
MARK A. BUZZETTA, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	38,200	118,200	121,750
TOTAL	91,600	283,000	291,500

NO OTHER PAID OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AND/OR TRUSTEES

STATEMENT 8

LINE 18 - OTHER EXPENSES

DESCRIPTION	FYE 9/30/04	FYE 9/30/05	FYE 9/30/06
PRINTING EXPENSE	600,000	826,000	906,000
POSTAGE EXPENSE	600,000	826,000	906,000
TRAVEL EXPENSE	150,000	206,500	226,500
PROFESSIONAL FEES	100,000	137,667	151,000
MISCELLANEOUS OTHER EXPENSES	50,000	68,833	75,500
TOTAL	1,500,000	2,065,000	2,265,000

Schedule B **Organizations described in Section 501(c)(4) (Civic leagues, social welfare organizations (including posts, councils, etc., of veterans' organizations not qualifying or applying for exemption under section 501(c)(19)) or local associations of employees.)**

- 1 Has the Internal Revenue Service previously issued a ruling or determination letter recognizing the applicant organization (or any predecessor organization listed in question 4, Part II of the application) to be exempt under section 501(c)(3) and later revoked that recognition on the basis that the applicant organization (or its predecessor) was carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation or on the basis that it engaged in political activity? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- If "Yes," indicate the earliest tax year for which recognition of exemption under section 501(c)(3) was revoked and the IRS district office that issued the revocation.

N/A

- 2 Does the organization perform or plan to perform (for members, shareholders, or others) services, such as maintaining the common areas of a condominium; buying food or other items on a cooperative basis; or providing recreational facilities or transportation services, job placement, or other similar undertakings? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- If "Yes," explain the activities in detail, including income realized and expenses incurred. Also, explain in detail the nature of the benefits to the general public from these activities. (If the answer to this question is explained in Part II of the application (pages 2, 3, and 4), enter the page and item number here.)

N/A

- 3 If the organization is claiming exemption as a homeowners' association, is access to any property or facilities it owns or maintains restricted in any way? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- If "Yes," explain.

N/A

- 4 If the organization is claiming exemption as a local association of employees, state the name and address of each employer whose employees are eligible for membership in the association. If employees of more than one plant or office of the same employer are eligible for membership, give the address of each plant or office.

N/A



STATE OF COLORADO

DEPARTMENT OF
STATE

CERTIFICATE

I, DONETTA DAVIDSON, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF
COLORADO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT

ACCORDING TO THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION, INC.
(COLORADO NONPROFIT CORPORATION)

FILE # 20041121515 WAS FILED IN THIS OFFICE ON April 02, 2004
AND HAS COMPLIED WITH THE APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE
LAWS OF THE STATE OF COLORADO AND ON THIS DATE IS IN GOOD
STANDING AND AUTHORIZED AND COMPETENT TO TRANSACT BUSINESS
OR TO CONDUCT ITS AFFAIRS WITHIN THIS STATE.

Dated: April 02, 2004

Donetta Davidson

SECRETARY OF STATE

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DONETTA DAVIDSON
COLORADO SECRETARY OF STATE

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION, INC.

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The individual named below causes these Articles of Incorporation to be delivered to the Colorado Secretary of State for filing pursuant to § 7-122-102 of the Colorado Revised Nonprofit Corporation Act, Articles 121 to 137 of Title 7 of the Colorado Revised Statutes, and states as follows:

ARTICLE I. NAME

- 1.1 NAME. The name of the corporation is Focus on the Family Action, Inc.

ARTICLE II. REGISTERED AGENT AND OFFICES

2.1 REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT. The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation is 8605 Explorer Drive, Colorado Springs, CO 80920. The name of the corporation's initial registered agent at such address is Donald Paul Hodel.

2.2 PRINCIPAL OFFICE. The address of the corporation's initial principal office is 8605 Explorer Drive, Colorado Springs, CO 80920.

ARTICLE III. INCORPORATORS

- 3.1 INCORPORATORS. The names and addresses of the incorporators are:

Donald Paul Hodel, 8605 Explorer Drive, Colorado Springs, CO 80920;
Thomas R. Mason, 8605 Explorer Drive, Colorado Springs, CO 80920; and
Mark A. Buzzetta, 8605 Explorer Drive, Colorado Springs, CO 80920.

ARTICLE IV. EFFECTIVE DATE AND DURATION

4.1 EFFECTIVE DATE. Pursuant to Colo. Rev. Stat. § 7-121-204(1)(a), the corporate existence of this corporation shall begin at the time of filing on the date these Articles of Incorporation are filed.

4.2 DURATION. The corporation shall have perpetual existence.

ARTICLE V. MEMBERS AND VOTING

5.1 MEMBERS. The corporation shall be permitted to have one class of members. The criteria and procedures for admission of members and the qualifications and rights of the members shall be as set forth in the Bylaws, subject to the limitations of these Articles of Incorporation and the law.

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8605 EXPLORER DRIVE
COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80920
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5.2 VOTING. Members shall not be entitled to vote. Voting for all purposes shall rest in the Board of Directors except as expressly provided otherwise in these Articles of Incorporation or in the Bylaws of the corporation.

ARTICLE VI. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

6.1 GENERAL POWERS. Except as otherwise provided in these Articles of Incorporation, the control and management of the affairs of the corporation and the disposition of its funds and property shall be solely vested in the Board of Directors.

6.2 INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS. The number of Directors shall be fixed in accordance with the Bylaws, provided that the number shall not be less than three (3). The number of Directors constituting the initial Board of Directors of the corporation is three (3), and the persons who are to serve as Directors until the first Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors, or until their successors are elected and shall qualify, are as follows:

Donald Paul Hodel, 8605 Explorer Drive, Colorado Springs, CO 80920;
Thomas R. Mason, 8605 Explorer Drive, Colorado Springs, CO 80920; and
Mark A. Buzzetta, 8605 Explorer Drive, Colorado Springs, CO 80920.

6.3 NO CUMULATIVE VOTING. Cumulative voting shall not be allowed in the election of Directors.

6.4 DIRECTOR LIABILITY. The personal liability of a Director to the corporation or to its members for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a Director is limited to the fullest extent permitted by the Colorado Revised Nonprofit Corporation Act as it exists or may hereafter be amended.

ARTICLE VII. PURPOSES AND POWERS

7.1 PURPOSES. The corporation is organized for the promotion of social welfare within the meaning of § 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law ("Code"). The corporation is a religious corporation and is not organized for the private gain of any person. It is organized under the Colorado Nonprofit Corporation Act for religious purposes. The corporation is formed for the express purpose of spreading and propagating the Gospel of Jesus Christ; and to provide an educational service to parents and others who are concerned with healthy family living, toward the end of strengthening the family in its varied dimensions.

(i) In support of the express purpose set forth above, the corporation is authorized to conduct any or all lawful affairs, not required to be specifically stated in the articles of incorporation, for which nonprofit corporations may be incorporated under the laws of the State of Colorado, but limited to those activities that are within the scope of permissible activities under Code § 501(c)(4).

(ii) In support of the express purpose set forth above, the corporation is authorized to receive and administer funds within the scope of the above-stated purposes and for religious purposes and for promoting social welfare purposes within the meaning of Code § 501(c)(3) and Code § 501(c)(4) and, to that end, to hold any property, or any undivided interest therein, without limitation as to amount or value; to dispose of any such property; to invest, reinvest, or deal with the principal or the income in such manner as, in the judgment of the Board of Directors, will best promote the purposes of the corporation without limitation, except such limitations, if any, as may be contained in the instrument under which property is received, these Articles of Incorporation, the Bylaws of the corporation, or any applicable laws; and to do any other act or thing incidental to or connected with the foregoing purposes or in advancement thereof, but not for the pecuniary profit or financial gain of its Directors or Officers.

7.2 POWERS. In furtherance of the foregoing purposes and objectives and subject to the restrictions and limitations contained in these Articles of Incorporation, the corporation shall have and may exercise all such powers as are expressly or impliedly conferred upon nonprofit corporations organized under the laws of the State of Colorado provided the same are not inconsistent with the laws under Code § 501(c)(4).

7.3 RESTRICTIONS ON POWER OF DIRECTORS AND OTHERS.

(i) The corporation is empowered to finance all of its operations through all lawful means. However, it is forbidden to engage, except to an insubstantial extent of its activities, in any activity which is not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from Federal Income Tax under Code § 501(c)(4).

(ii) No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, any member, director or officer of the corporation or any private individual (except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for the corporation in furtherance of one or more of its purposes). Any and all property, both real and personal, which may be owned by the corporation at any time, is and shall always be exclusively and irrevocably dedicated to the social welfare purposes and to the religious and educational purposes of the corporation.

(iii) No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall involve participation in, or intervention in, (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

(iv) The corporation shall not accept directly or indirectly donations of anything of value from business corporations, or labor organizations.

(v) The Corporation shall not engage in business activities as referenced in 11 CFR 114.10(c).

ARTICLE VIII. DISSOLUTION

8.1 DISSOLUTION. This corporation may be dissolved by resolution of a majority of its Directors.

8.2 DISTRIBUTION UPON DISSOLUTION. Upon the voluntary or involuntary dissolution of the corporation, the Directors shall, after paying or making provision for payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all assets of the corporation exclusively for the purposes of the corporation in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, scientific, or public welfare purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Code § 501(c)(3) or Code § 501(c)(4), as the Board of Directors shall determine.

ARTICLE IX. DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME RESTRICTIONS

9.1 DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME RESTRICTIONS. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles of Incorporation, if at any time or times the corporation is a private foundation within the meaning of Code § 509, then during such time or times the corporation:

- (i) Shall distribute its income for each taxable year at such time and in such manner as not to subject the corporation to tax under Code § 4942;
- (ii) Shall not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Code § 4941(d);
- (iii) Shall not retain any excess business holdings as defined in Code § 4943(c);
- (iv) Shall not make any investments in such a manner as to subject the corporation to tax under § 4944; and
- (v) Shall not make any taxable expenditures as defined in Code § 4945(d).

ARTICLE X. INDIVIDUAL FILING ARTICLES

10.1 The name and mailing address of the individual who causes this document to be delivered for filing, and to whom the Secretary of State may deliver notice if filing of this document is refused, is Donald Paul Hodel, President, 8605 Explorer Drive, Colorado Springs, CO 80920.

BYLAWS FOR THE REGULATION,
EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY STATUTE
OR ITS ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION, OF
FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION, INC.

(A Colorado Nonprofit Corporation)

ARTICLE I

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

This corporation is governed by and operating under the Colorado Revised Nonprofit Corporation Act ("CRNCA"), Colorado Revised Statutes, Title 7, Articles 121 to 137. Hereafter CRNCA shall refer to that Act as it may be amended from time to time and any other Act adopted by the Colorado Legislature in substitution of the CRNCA. This corporation is specifically entitled to the benefits of the terms and provisions of the CRNCA.

Section 1. Purposes. The corporation is a religious corporation, is not organized for the private gain of any person, and is organized under the Colorado Nonprofit Corporation Act for religious purposes. The corporation is formed for the express purpose of spreading and propagating the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and to promote the Judeo-Christian view of the family, spousal and parental relationships, and the moral underpinning of culture.

(a) The corporation is organized for the promotion of social welfare within the meaning of § 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law ("Code"). In support of these express purposes, the Corporation is authorized to conduct any or all lawful affairs, including the promotion of legislation, promotion of political ideas, and support of candidates for public office, for which nonprofit corporations may be incorporated under the laws of the State of Colorado, but limited to those activities that are within the scope of permissible activities under Code § 501(c)(4).

(b) In support of the express purpose set forth above, the corporation is authorized to receive and administer funds within the scope of the above-stated purposes and for religious purposes and for promoting social welfare purposes within the meaning of Code § 501(c)(3) and Code § 501(c)(4) and, to that end, to hold any property, or any undivided interest therein, without limitation as to amount or value; to dispose of any such property; to invest, reinvest, or deal with the principal or the income in such manner as, in the judgment of the Board of Directors, will best promote the purposes of the corporation without limitation, except such limitations, if any, as may be contained in the instrument under which property is received, these Articles of Incorporation, the Bylaws of the corporation, or any applicable laws; and to do any other act or thing incidental to or connected with the foregoing purposes or in advancement thereof, but not for the pecuniary profit or financial gain of its Directors or Officers.

ARTICLE II

MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Membership.

- (a) Classes. There shall be one class of members.
- (b) Qualifications. Corporation non-voting membership is open to individuals who support Focus on the Family Action, Inc.'s purposes and policies. Membership may be obtained by (1) paying dues annually as prescribed by the Board of Directors ("Board"), and (2) affirming annually the desire to be a member as prescribed by the Board.
- (c) Voting. Members shall not be entitled to vote. Voting for all purposes shall rest in the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE III

DIRECTORS

Section 1. Powers. Subject to limitations of the Articles of Incorporation and of the CRNCA as to action to be authorized or approved by the members, and subject to the duties of Directors as prescribed by the Bylaws, all corporate powers shall be exercised by or under the authority of, and the business and affairs of the Corporation shall be controlled by, the Board of Directors. Without prejudice to such general powers, but subject to the same limitations, it is hereby expressly declared that the Directors shall have the following powers, to wit:

First - To select and remove all the officers, agents and employees of the Corporation, prescribe such powers and duties for them as may not be inconsistent with the law, with the Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws, fix their compensation and require from them security for faithful service.

Second - To conduct, manage and control the affairs and business of the Corporation, and to make such rules and regulations therefor not inconsistent with law, or with the Articles of Incorporation or the Bylaws, as they may deem best.

Third - To change the principal office for the transaction of the business of the Corporation from one location to another as provided in Article V, Section 1, hereof; to fix and locate from time to time one or more subsidiary offices of the Corporation within or without the State of Colorado as provided in Article V, Section 2, hereof; to designate any place within or without the State of Colorado for the holding of any members' meeting or meetings; and to adopt, make and use a corporate seal, and to prescribe the forms of certificates of membership, and to alter the form of such seal and of such

certificates from time to time, as in their judgment they may deem best, provided such seal and such certificates shall at all times comply with the provisions of law.

Fourth - To borrow money and incur indebtedness for the purposes of the Corporation, and to cause to be executed and delivered therefor, in the corporate name, promissory notes, bonds, debentures, deeds of trust, mortgages, pledges, hypothecations or other evidences of debt and securities therefor.

Fifth - By resolution adopted by a majority of the authorized number of Directors, to designate an executive and other committees, each consisting of two or more Directors, officers, or other persons, to serve at the pleasure of the Board, and to prescribe the manner in which proceedings of such committee shall be conducted. The chairmen of all committees shall be Directors unless otherwise approved by the Board. The President of the Corporation shall be ex-officio, of all committees. Unless the Board of Directors shall otherwise prescribe the manner of proceedings of any such committee, meetings of such committee may be regularly scheduled in advance and may be called at any time by any two members thereof; otherwise, the provisions of these Bylaws with respect to notice and conduct of meetings of the Board shall govern. Any such committee, to the extent provided in a resolution of the Board or in these Bylaws, shall have all of the authority of the Board, except as otherwise provided by the CRNCA and except with respect to:

- (i) the approval of any action for which the CRNCA or the Articles of Incorporation also requires member approval;
- (ii) the filling of vacancies on the Board or in any committee;
- (iii) the fixing of compensation of the directors for serving on the Board or on any committee;
- (iv) the adoption, amendment or repeal of Bylaws;
- (v) the amendment or repeal of any resolution of the Board; and
- (vi) the appointment of other committees of the Board or the members thereof.

Section 2. Composition of Board. The members of the Board of Directors shall be the members of the Board of Directors of Focus on the Family, a California Corporation. The Directors must be natural persons of the age of eighteen years or older but need not be residents of the State of Colorado.

Section 3. Number of Directors. The authorized number of Directors shall be fifteen (15) until changed by amendment of the Articles of Incorporation or by a Bylaw amending this Section 3 of Article III, duly adopted by the vote or written consent of a majority of the Directors.

Section 4. Meetings. The Board of Directors of this Corporation shall meet whenever the Board of Focus on the Family, a California Corporation meets, pursuant to the notice requirements therein.

Section 5. Action Without Meeting. Unless the Articles of Incorporation or these Bylaws provide otherwise, any action required or permitted to be taken at a meeting of the Board of Directors or any committee designated by the Board may be taken without a meeting if each and every member of the board in writing either:

- (i) Votes for such action; or
- (ii) (1) Votes against such action or abstains from voting; and
(2) Waives the right to demand that a meeting be held.

Action is taken under this section only if the affirmative vote for such action equals or exceeds the minimum number of votes that would be necessary to take such action at a meeting at which all of the Directors then in office were present and voted. No action taken pursuant to this section shall be effective unless writings describing the action taken, signed by all Directors, are received by the corporation. The corporation may receive any such writing by electronically transmitted facsimile or other form of wire or wireless communication providing the corporation with a complete copy of the document, including a copy of the signature on the document. Action taken pursuant to this section shall be effective when the last writing necessary to effect the action is received by the corporation unless the writings describing the action taken set forth a different effective date. Action taken pursuant to this section has the same effect as action taken at a meeting of Directors and may be described as such in any document. All signed written instruments necessary for any action taken pursuant to this section shall be filed with the minutes of the Board of Directors.

Section 6. Action at a Meeting: Quorum and Required Vote. Telephonic Meetings. The presence of a majority of the authorized Directors at a meeting of the Board of Directors constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business except as hereinafter provided. Members of the Board may participate in a meeting through use of conference telephone or similar communications equipment, so long as all members participating in such meeting can hear one another. Participation in a meeting as permitted in the preceding sentence constitutes presence in person at such meeting. Every act or decision done or made by a majority of the Directors present at a meeting duly held at which a quorum is present shall be regarded as the act of the Board of Directors, unless a greater number, or the same number after disqualifying one or more Directors from voting, is required by law, by the Articles of Incorporation, or by these Bylaws. A meeting at which a quorum is initially present may continue to transact business notwithstanding the withdrawal of any Director, provided that any action taken is approved by at least a majority of the required quorum for such meeting.

Section 7. Validation of Defectively Called or Noticed Meetings. The transactions of any meeting of the Board of Directors, however called and noticed or wherever held, shall be as valid as though had at a meeting duly held after regular call and notice, if a quorum is present and if, either before or after the meeting, each of the Directors not present or who, though present, has prior to the meeting or at its commencement, protested the lack of proper notice to him, signs a written waiver of notice or a consent to holding such meeting or an approval of the minutes thereof. All such waivers, consents or approvals shall be filed with the corporate records or made a part of the minutes of the meeting.

Section 8. Adjournment. A quorum of the Directors may adjourn any Directors' meeting to meet again at a stated day and hour; provided, however, that in the absence of a quorum a majority of the Directors present at any Directors' meeting, either regular or special, may adjourn from time to time until the time fixed for the next regular meeting of the Board.

Section 9. Notice of Adjournment. If the meeting is adjourned for more than 24 hours, notice of any adjournment to another time or place shall be given prior to the time of the adjourned meeting to the Directors who were not present at the time of adjournment. Otherwise notice of the time and place of holding an adjourned meeting need not be given to absent Directors if the time and place be fixed at the meeting adjourned.

Section 10. Fees and Compensation. Directors and members of committees may receive such compensation, if any, for their services, and such reimbursement for expenses, as may be fixed or determined by resolution of the Board.

Section 11. Indemnification of Agents of the Corporation. Purchase of Liability Insurance.

(i) Unless the Articles of Incorporation provide otherwise, all of the provisions of the CRNCA shall govern the indemnification of persons who are or were Directors, Officers, employees, fiduciaries, or agents of the corporation.

(ii) Unless the Articles of Incorporation provide otherwise, all of the provisions of the CRNCA shall govern the purchase and maintenance of insurance by the corporation on behalf of any person who is or was a Director, Officer, employee, fiduciary, or agent of the corporation.

Section 12. Advisory Directors and Committees. The Board of Directors from time to time may elect one or more persons to be Advisory Directors or Members of Advisory Committees who shall not by such appointment be members of the Board of Directors. Advisory Directors and Committeemen shall be available from time to time to perform assignments specified by the President, to attend meetings of the Board of Directors upon invitation and to furnish consultation to the Board. The period during

which the title shall be held may be prescribed by the Board of Directors. If no period is prescribed, the title shall be held at the pleasure of the Board.

ARTICLE IV

OFFICERS

Section 1. Officers. The officers of the Corporation shall be the officers of Focus on the Family, a California Corporation. The officers of the Corporation shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The Corporation may also have, at the discretion of the Board of Directors, one or more Assistant Secretaries, additional Assistant Treasurers, and such other officers as may be appointed in accordance with the provisions of this Article. One person may hold two or more offices, except that the offices of President and Secretary shall not be held by the same person.

Section 2. Chairman. The Chairman of the Board shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors. Subject to the consent of the Board of Directors, the Chairman shall appoint the chairmen and members of all committees of the Board.

Section 3. President. The President shall, subject to the control of the Board of Directors, have general supervision, direction and control of the business and officers of the Corporation. In the absence of a Chairman, the President shall preside over meetings of the Board of Directors. He shall be ex-officio a member of all the standing committees, including the Executive Committee, and shall have such other powers and duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors or the Bylaws.

Section 4. Secretary. The Secretary shall record or cause to be recorded, and shall keep or cause to be kept, at the principal executive office and such other place as the Board of Directors may order, a book of minutes of actions taken at all meetings of Directors of the Corporation, separate and independent from those of Focus on the Family, a California Corporation, with the time and place of holding, whether regular or special, and, if special, how authorized, the notice thereof given, the names of those present at Directors' meetings, and the proceedings thereof.

The Secretary shall keep the seal of the Corporation, if any, in safe custody, shall affix such seal or cause such seal to be affixed to all papers of this Corporation for which its seal is required or proper, and shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors or by the Bylaws. The Board of Directors may elect one or more Assistant Secretaries, each of whom, upon election, shall have all of the powers and privileges of the Secretary.

Section 5. Treasurer. The Treasurer shall be the chief financial officer of the Corporation and shall keep and maintain, or cause to be kept and maintained, adequate and correct accounts of the properties and business transactions of the Corporation, including accounts of its assets, liabilities, receipts, disbursements, gains, losses, capital,

and surplus. The books of account shall at all reasonable times be open to inspection by any Director. The Treasurer shall deposit all moneys and other valuables in the name and to the credit of the Corporation with such depositories as may be designated by the Board of Directors. He shall disburse the funds of the Corporation as may be ordered by the Board of Directors, shall render to the President and Directors, whenever they request it, an account of all of his transactions as treasurer and of the financial condition of the Corporation, and shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors or the Bylaws.

ARTICLE V

MISCELLANEOUS

Section 1. Principal Office. The principal office of the Corporation shall be designated from time to time by the Board of Directors and may be within or outside of the State of Colorado.

Section 2. Other Offices. Other business offices may at any time be established by the Board of Directors at any place or places where the Corporation is qualified to do business.

Section 3. Record Date. The Board of Directors may fix a time in the future as a record date for the determination of the members entitled to receive any report or any allotment of rights or to exercise rights in respect to membership. The record date so fixed shall be not more than sixty (60) days nor less than ten (10) days prior to the date of any meeting, nor more than sixty (60) days prior to any other event for the purposes of which it is fixed. When a record date is so fixed, only members of record on that date are entitled to receive any report or any distribution or allotment of rights.

Section 4. Inspection of Corporate Records. Every Director shall have the absolute right at any reasonable time to inspect and copy all books, records and documents of every kind and to inspect the physical properties of the Corporation. Such inspection by a Director may be made in person or by agent or attorney and the right of inspection includes the right to copy and make extracts.

Section 5. Checks, Drafts, Etc. All checks, drafts or other orders for payment of money, notes or other evidences of indebtedness, issued in the name of or payable to the Corporation, shall be signed or endorsed by two officers of this Corporation.

Section 6. Endorsement of Documents: Contracts. Subject to the provisions of applicable law, any note, mortgage, evidence of indebtedness, contract, conveyance, or other instrument in writing and any assignment or endorsement thereof executed or entered into between the Corporation and any other person, when signed by the President or any Vice President and the Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer or any Assistant Treasurer of the Corporation shall be valid and binding on the Corporation in

the absence of actual knowledge on the part of the other person that the signing officers had no authority to execute the same. Any such instruments may be signed by any other person or persons and in such manner as from time to time shall be determined by the Board, and, unless so authorized by the Board, no officer, agent, or employee shall have any power or authority to bind the Corporation by any contract or engagement or to pledge its credit or to render it liable for any purpose or amount.

Section 7. Contracts, Etc., How Executed. The Board of Directors, except as otherwise provided in the Bylaws, may authorize any officer or officers, agent or agents, to enter into any contract or execute any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the Corporation, and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances; and, unless so authorized by the Board of Directors, no officer, agent or employee shall have any power or authority to bind the Corporation by any contract or engagement or to pledge its credit or to render it liable for any purpose or to any amount.

Section 8. Representation of Shares of Other Corporations. The President or any other officer or officers authorized by the Board or the President are each authorized to vote, represent, and exercise on behalf of the Corporation all rights incident to any and all shares of any other corporation or corporations standing in the name of the Corporation. The authority herein granted may be exercised either by any such officer in person or by any other person authorized so to do by proxy or power of attorney duly executed by said officer.

Section 9. Conflicts of Interest. The provisions of the CRNCA shall govern transactions between the Corporation and its Directors.

Section 10. Rules of Order. Where not inconsistent with the Bylaws, the special rules of this Corporation, or the provisions of CRNCA, meetings of the Board and of the members of this Corporation shall be conducted in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order, revised.

Section 11. Seal. The Board of Directors may adopt a corporate seal, which shall be circular in form and shall have inscribed thereon the name of the corporation and the state of incorporation and the word "Seal."

Section 12. Construction and Definitions. Unless the context otherwise requires, the general provisions, rules of construction and definitions contained in the CRNCA shall govern the construction of these Bylaws. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the masculine gender includes the feminine and neuter, the singular number includes the plural and the plural number includes the singular, and the term "person" includes a corporation as well as a natural person.

ARTICLE VI

AMENDMENTS

Section 1. Power of Directors. New Bylaws may be adopted or these Bylaws may be amended or repealed by the affirmative vote of a majority of the Directors, except as otherwise provided by law or by the Articles of Incorporation.

Section 2. Record of Amendments. Whenever an amendment or new Bylaw is adopted, it shall be copied in the book of Bylaws with the original Bylaws in the appropriate place. If any Bylaw is repealed, the fact of repeal with the date of the meeting at which the repeal was enacted or written assent was filed shall be stated in said book.

ARTICLE VII

RELATIONS WITH JAMES C. DOBSON AND JAMES DOBSON, INC.

Section 1. Relations With James C. Dobson. The Corporation acknowledges that it has been developed around the writings and views of James C. Dobson, Ph.D. which had been established and promoted before the formation of the Corporation. The Corporation recognizes that a majority of the recommendations, illustrations and information presented (i) on Focus on the Family Action radio broadcasts, (ii) in its printed literature, (iii) in CD-ROM and all other electronic forms of reproduction and/or transmission, (iv) in its television broadcasts, films and video programs, (v) in "live" or recorded form, and (vi) in all other forms of reproduction, transmission, delivery or distribution, (whether yet known and in use or as yet undeveloped or unused) are drawn from and are an extrapolation of the ideas, concepts, writings, tape recordings, television and video-taped interviews, discussions and speeches of James C. Dobson, Ph.D., much of which is subject to copyright (all of which is hereinafter called "the Dobson material"). All of the Dobson material is owned by and belongs to James C. Dobson. The Corporation acknowledges that it has received and used, and is receiving and using, without compensation, the Dobson material.

Section 2. Current Production of Dobson Materials. The Corporation is continuing to produce and distribute, with the aid and assistance, and under the direction and control of James C. Dobson, additional products which constitute a part of the Dobson material.

Section 3. Ownership of the Dobson Material. The Corporation acknowledges that James C. Dobson is and remains the owner and proprietor of the Dobson material and that the Corporation has not obtained nor claims, and does not intend to obtain nor claim any right, title or interest in or to any of the Dobson material unless such right, title or interest is conveyed to it by a written instrument, duly executed by James C. Dobson.

Section 4. Relations With James Dobson, Inc. The Corporation may, from time to time, promote the sale of books, calendars, tape recordings, video-tapes, or other products which are created and owned by James Dobson, Inc. (hereinafter called "the JDI material").

Section 5. Ownership of the JDI Material. The Corporation acknowledges that James Dobson, Inc. is and remains the owner and proprietor of the JDI material and that the Corporation has not obtained nor claims, and does not intend to obtain nor claim any right, title or interest in or to any of the JDI material unless such right, title or interest is conveyed to it by a written instrument, duly executed by James Dobson, Inc.

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify:

1. That I am the duly elected and acting Secretary of **FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION, INC.**, a Colorado Nonprofit Corporation; and

2. That the foregoing Bylaws, comprising ten (10) pages, including this page, constitute the Bylaws of said Corporation as duly adopted by action of the Directors of the corporation duly taken on May 25, 2004.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Corporation this 25th day of May, 2004.


Secretary

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION

8655 EXPLORER DRIVE
COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80920
(719) 548-5845

July 23, 2004

Internal Revenue Service
201 West Rivercenter Blvd.
Attn: Extracting Stop 312
Covington, KY 41011

RE: Taxpayer: Focus on the Family Action, Inc.
FEIN: 20-0960855
Form 1024 Application for Recognition of Exemption Under Section 501(a)

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed is the Application for Recognition of Exemption Under Section 501(a) for Focus on the Family Action, Inc. It is our desire to obtain exemption under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(4). We have included the following items for your determination:

- Form 8718
- Check for \$500
- Form 1024 (with attached article of incorporation, bylaws, lease agreement, and constituent letter dated April 26, 2004 discussing the need for the new organization).
- Samples as shown on the list attached to this letter.

Thank you for your assistance. We look forward to obtaining your determination letter for our new organization.

Very truly yours,



Wade D. Crow
Director of Tax and Risk Management

Enclosures

DEDICATED TO THE DEFENSE OF MORAL VALUES AND THE FAMILY

"FOCUS ON THE FAMILY" IS A REGISTERED TRADEMARK OF FOCUS ON THE FAMILY, A CALIFORNIA
NONPROFIT RELIGIOUS CORPORATION, USED PURSUANT TO A LICENSE

Sent as samples with the filing copy of this application are the following:

Marriage Under Fire by Dr. James Dobson

Copy of "Stand For The Family Rally" postcard for North Carolina

Copy of Focus On The Family Action July 2, 2004 Appeal Letter

Tape version of Focus On The Family Daily Broadcast dated June 23, 2004 featuring Dennis Prager: Defending Marriage

CD sample version of Family News In Focus dated May 19, 2004

May, 2004 issue of Citizen Magazine

Citizenlink Daily Email Service sample copy dated July 12, 2004

Citizenlink Feature Story, "We Must Take a Stand for the Federal Marriage Amendment", dated April 7, 2004

Citizenlink Extra, "Federal Marriage Amendment Action Center", dated July 8, 2004

Additional samples of Focus On The Family broadcasts:

CD #1 Focus On The Family Daily Broadcast

Adventures in Odyssey Radio Drama

Radio Theatre Program

Life On The Edge Teen Program

The Family Night Guy Feature Program

CD #2 Focus On The Family Weekend, 6/12/04

Focus On The Family Commentary

James Dobson Family Minute

Focus On The Family Commentary Set #108, Television Version; airing July 5-30, 2004.

Samples of the following Focus On The Family magazines:

Focus On The Family Magazine

Clubhouse

Clubhouse Jr.

Physician

Plugged In

Brio

Brio & Beyond

Breakaway

Other Focus On The Family Publications:

Family News From Dr. James Dobson Monthly Newsletter, June, 2004 issue

LEASE

1. **PARTIES.** This Lease, dated, for reference purposes only, April 14, 2004, is made by and between FOCUS ON THE FAMILY, a California Nonprofit Religious Corporation (herein called "Lessor") and FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION, INC., a Colorado Nonprofit Religious Corporation (herein called "Lessee").

2. **PREMISES.**

2.1. **The Premises.** Lessor hereby leases to Lessee and Lessee hereby leases from Lessor for the term, at the Rent, and upon all of the conditions set forth herein, a portion of the improvements located on that certain real property situated in the County of El Paso, State of Colorado, commonly known as 8605 Explorer Drive, Colorado Springs, Colorado, consisting of approximately One Thousand Five Hundred (1,500) square feet of area (the "Premises"), subject to adjustment as provided in Section 2.2.

2.2. **Option to Lease Additional Space.** Lessor hereby grants to Lessee the option to increase or decrease the total square footage of the Premises subject to this Lease, pursuant to the following conditions.

2.2.1. At any time during the Term, upon fifteen (15) days prior written notice to Lessor, Lessee shall have the right to increase the total square footage of the Premises to a maximum area of One Hundred Thousand (100,000) square feet (the "Maximum Area").

2.2.2. At any time during the Term, upon fifteen (15) days prior written notice to Lessor, Lessee shall have the right to decrease the total square footage of the Premises to a minimum area of One Thousand (1,000) square feet (the "Minimum Area").

2.2.3. In no event shall Lessee be entitled to lease more than the Maximum Area nor less than the Minimum Area. If Lessee shall exercise the option granted herein to increase or decrease the area of the Premises, the parties shall immediately execute an Addendum to this Lease in the form of Exhibit "A" attached hereto, and shall attach such Addendum to this Lease at which time it shall become part of the Lease.

3. **TERM.** This Lease shall be a month-to-month tenancy, terminable by either party upon thirty (30) days prior written notice to the other party.

4. **RENT.**

4.1. **Time and Place of Payment.** The Rent payable pursuant to this Section 4 ("Rent") shall be paid monthly in advance on the first day of each calendar month during the Term, commencing on May 1, 2004. Rent for the partial month of April, 2004, shall be pro-rated from April 14, 2004 through the end of the month and shall be payable upon execution of this Lease. All Rent shall be paid to Lessor or such other payee designated by Lessor and at such place as Lessor or its assignee may from time to time direct in writing.

4.2. Minimum Annual Rent Amount. Lessee agrees to pay Lessor in lawful money of the United States, Minimum Annual Rent in the amount of Eighteen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$18,500.00).

4.3. Adjustments to Minimum Annual Rent. If Lessee shall exercise its option to increase the total square footage of the Premises as permitted under Section 2.2, the Minimum Annual Rent shall be adjusted upward or downward based on the total square footage of the Premises, calculated at the annual rate of Eighteen and 50/100 Dollars (\$18.50) per square foot. The Rent shall be prorated for any month, or part of a month during which the square footage of the Premises has been increased above the Minimum Area. In no event, however, shall the Rent payable for the Premises be less than the Minimum Annual Rent.

4.4. Definition of Rent. This Lease is intended to be a so-called "full service gross lease." Lessee shall pay only the Rent reserved hereunder and no other amount. The Rent shall include Lessee's share of all operating costs and expenses associated with the Premises, including the installed telephone system, telephone switch gear, and handsets, office work stations, janitorial service, utility charges, and computer infrastructure. Rent shall not include the provision of computers or other equipment to Lessee which shall be Lessee's own equipment. Any amount required to be paid by Lessee to, or for the benefit of Lessor under the terms of this Lease shall be deemed to be Rent.

5. USE.

5.1. Use. The Premises shall be used and occupied only for office purposes and for no other use or purpose.

5.2. Compliance with Law.

5.2.1. Lessor warrants to Lessee that the Premises, in its existing state, but without regard to the use for which Lessee will use the Premises, do not violate any applicable building code regulation or ordinance at the time that this Lease is executed. In the event that it is determined that this warranty has been violated, then it shall be the obligation of the Lessor, after written notice from Lessee, to promptly, at Lessor's sole cost and expense, rectify any such violation. In the event that Lessee does not give to Lessor written notice of the violation of this warranty within one (1) year from the commencement of the term of this Lease, it shall be conclusively deemed that such violation did not exist and the correction of the same shall be the obligation of the Lessee.

5.2.2. Except as provided in Section 5.2.1, Lessee shall, at Lessee's expense, comply promptly with all applicable statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations, orders, restrictions of record, and requirements in effect during the term or any part of the term hereof regulating the use by Lessee of the Premises. Lessee shall not use or permit the use of the Premises in any manner that will tend to create waste or a nuisance or, which shall tend to disturb the Lessor in its use of the space adjacent to the Premises.

5.3. Condition of Premises. Except as provided in Section 5.2.1, Lessee hereby accepts the Premises in their condition existing as of the date of the execution hereof, subject to all applicable zoning, municipal, county and state laws, ordinances, and regulations governing

and regulating the use of the Premises, and accepts this Lease subject thereto and to all matters disclosed thereby and by any exhibits attached hereto. Lessee acknowledges that neither Lessor nor Lessor's agents have made any representation or warranty as to the suitability of the Premises for the conduct of Lessee's business.

6. MAINTENANCE, REPAIRS AND ALTERATIONS.

6.1. Lessor's Obligations. Subject to the provisions of Sections 6.2 and 8 and except for damage caused by any negligent or intentional act or omission of Lessee, Lessee's agents, employees, or invitees in which event Lessee shall repair the damage, Lessor, at Lessor's expense, shall keep in good order, condition and repair the foundations, exterior walls and the exterior roof of the Premises and all plumbing, heating, air conditioning, ventilating, electrical and lighting facilities and equipment within the Premises. Lessor shall maintain the interior and exterior of the Premises, provide all utility services to the Premises, and shall provide normal janitorial services to the Premises. Lessor shall have no obligation to make repairs under this Section 6.1 until a reasonable time after receipt of written notice of the need for such repairs. Lessee expressly waives the benefits of any statute now or hereafter in effect which would otherwise afford Lessee the right to make repairs at Lessor's expense or to terminate this Lease because of Lessor's failure to keep the Premises in good order, condition and repair.

6.2. Alteration and Additions.

6.2.1. Lessee shall not, without Lessor's prior written consent make any alterations, improvements, additions, or Utility Installations in, on, or about the Premises. Lessee shall make no change or alteration to the exterior of the Premises nor the exterior of the building(s) on the Premises without Lessor's prior written consent. As used in this Section the term "Utility Installation" shall mean carpeting, window coverings, air lines, power panels, electrical distribution systems, lighting fixtures, space heaters, air conditioning, plumbing, and fencing. Lessor may require that Lessee remove any or all of said alterations, improvements, additions or Utility Installations at the expiration of the term, and restore the Premises to their prior condition. Lessor may require Lessee to provide Lessor, at Lessee's sole cost and expense, a lien and completion bond in an amount equal to one and one-half times the estimated cost of such improvements, to insure Lessor against any liability for mechanic's and materialmen's liens and to insure completion of the work. Should Lessee make any alterations, improvements, additions or Utility Installations without the prior approval of Lessor, Lessor may require that Lessee remove any or all of the same.

6.2.2. Any alterations, improvements, additions or Utility Installations in, or about the Premises that Lessee shall desire to make and which requires the consent of the Lessor shall be presented to Lessor in written form, with proposed detailed plans. If Lessor shall give its consent, the consent shall be deemed conditioned upon Lessee acquiring a permit to do so from the appropriate governmental agencies, the furnishing of a copy thereof to Lessor prior to the commencement of the work and the compliance by Lessee of all conditions of said permit in a prompt and expeditious manner.

6.2.3. Lessee shall pay, when due, all claims for labor or materials furnished or alleged to have been furnished to or for Lessee at or for use in the Premises, which

claims are or may be secured by any mechanics' or materialmen's lien against the Premises or any interest therein. Lessee shall give Lessor not less than ten (10) days' notice prior to the commencement of any work in the Premises, and Lessor shall have the right to post notices of non-responsibility in or on the Premises as provided by law. If Lessee shall, in good faith, contest the validity of any such lien, claim or demand, then Lessee shall, at its sole expense defend itself and Lessor against the same and shall pay and satisfy any such adverse judgment that may be rendered thereon before the enforcement thereof against the Lessor or the premises, upon the condition that if Lessor shall require, Lessee shall furnish to Lessor a surety bond satisfactory to Lessor in an amount equal to such contested lien claim or demand indemnifying Lessor against liability for the same and holding the Premises free from the effect of such lien or claim. In addition, Lessor may require Lessee to pay Lessor's attorneys fees and costs in participating in such action if Lessor shall decide it is to its best interest to do so.

6.2.4. Unless Lessor requires their removal, as set forth in Section 6.2.1, all alterations, improvements, additions and Utility Installations (whether or not such Utility Installations constitute trade fixtures of Lessee), which may be made on the Premises, shall become the property of Lessor and remain upon and be surrendered with the Premises at the expiration of the term. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section 6.2.4, Lessee's machinery and equipment, other than that which is affixed to the Premises so that it cannot be removed without material damage to the Premises, shall remain the property of Lessee and may be removed by Lessee subject to the provisions of Section 6.2.3.

7. INSURANCE; INDEMNITY.

7.1. Liability Insurance – Lessee. Lessee shall, at Lessee's expense, obtain and keep in force during the term of this Lease a policy of Combined Single Limit Bodily Injury and Property Damage Insurance insuring Lessee and Lessor against any liability arising out of the use, occupancy or maintenance of the Premises and all other areas appurtenant thereto. Such insurance shall be in an amount not less than \$500,000 per occurrence. The policy shall insure performance by Lessee of the indemnity provisions of this Section 7. The limits of said insurance shall not, however, limit the liability of Lessee hereunder.

7.2. Liability Insurance – Lessor. Lessor shall obtain and keep in force during the term of this Lease a policy of Combined Single Limit Bodily Injury and Property Damage Insurance, insuring Lessor, but not Lessee, against any liability arising out of the ownership, use, occupancy or maintenance of the Premises and all areas appurtenant thereto in an amount not less than \$500,000 per occurrence.

7.3. Property Insurance. Lessor shall obtain and keep in force during the term of this Lease a policy or policies of insurance covering loss or damage to the Premises, but not Lessee's fixtures, equipment or tenant improvements in an amount not to exceed the full replacement value thereof, as the same may exist from time to time, providing protection against all perils included within the classification of fire, extended coverage, vandalism, malicious mischief, flood (in the event same is required by a lender having a lien on the Premises) special extended perils ("all risk," as such term is used in the insurance industry) but not plate glass insurance.

7.4. Insurance Policies. Insurance required hereunder shall be in companies holding a "General Policyholders Rating" of at least A plus, or such other rating as may be required by a lender having a lien on the Premises, as set forth in the most current issue of "Best's Insurance Guide." Lessee shall deliver to Lessor copies of policies of liability insurance required under Section 7.1 or certificates evidencing the existence and amounts of such insurance. No such policy shall be cancellable or subject to reduction of coverage or other modification except after thirty (30 days' prior written notice to Lessor. Lessee shall, at least thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of such policies, furnish Lessor with renewals or "binders" thereof, or Lessor may order such insurance and charge the cost thereof to Lessee which amount shall be payable by Lessee upon demand. Lessee shall not do or permit to be done anything which shall invalidate the insurance policies referred to in Section 7.3.

7.5. Waiver of Subrogation. Lessee and Lessor each hereby release and relieve the other, and waive their entire right of recovery against the other for loss or damage arising out of or incident to the perils insured against under Section 7.3, which perils occur in, on, or about the Premises, whether due to the negligence of Lessor or Lessee or their agents, employees, contractors and/or invitees. Lessee and Lessor shall, upon obtaining the policies of insurance required hereunder, give notice to the insurance carrier or carriers that the foregoing mutual waiver of subrogation is contained in this Lease.

7.6. Indemnity. Lessee shall indemnify and hold harmless Lessor from and against any and all claims arising from Lessee's use of the Premises, or from the conduct of Lessee's business or from any activity, work or things done, permitted or suffered by Lessee in or about the Premises or elsewhere and shall further indemnify and hold harmless Lessor from and against any and all claims arising from any breach or default in the performance of any obligation on Lessee's part to be performed under the terms of this Lease, or arising from any negligence of the Lessee, or any of Lessee's agents, contractors, or employees, and from and against all costs, attorney's fees, expenses and liabilities incurred in the defense of any such claim or any action or proceeding brought thereon; and in case any action or proceeding be brought against Lessor by reason of any such claim, Lessee upon notice from Lessor shall defend the same at Lessee's expense by counsel satisfactory to Lessor. Lessee, as a material part of the consideration to Lessor, hereby assumes all risk of damage to property or injury to persons, in, upon or about the Premises arising from any cause and Lessee hereby waives all claims in respect thereof against Lessor.

7.7. Exemption of Lessor from Liability. Lessee hereby agrees that Lessor shall not be liable for injury to Lessee's business or any loss or income therefrom or for damage to the goods, wares, merchandise or other property of Lessee, Lessee's employees, invitees, customers, or any other person in or about the Premises, nor shall Lessor be liable for injury to the person of Lessee, Lessee's employees, agents or contractors, whether such damage or injury is caused by or results from fire, steam, electricity, gas, water or rain, or from the breakage, leakage, obstruction or other defects of pipes, sprinklers, wires, appliances, plumbing, air conditioning or lighting fixtures, or from any other cause, whether the said damage or injury results from conditions arising upon the Premises or upon other portions of the building of which the Premises are a part, or from other sources or places and regardless of whether the cause of such damage or injury or the means of repairing the same is inaccessible to Lessee. Lessor shall not be

liable for any damages arising from any act or neglect of any other tenant, if any, of the building in which the Premises are located.

8. DAMAGE OR DESTRUCTION.

8.1. Definitions.

8.1.1. *Premises Partial Damage.* "Premises Partial Damage" shall herein mean damage or destruction to the Premises to the extent that the cost of repair is less than 50% of the fair market value of the Premises immediately prior to such damage or destruction. "Premises Building Partial Damage" shall herein mean damage or destruction to the building of which the Premises are a part to the extent that the cost of repair, is less than 50% of the fair market value of such building as a whole immediately prior to such damage or destruction.

8.1.2. *Premises Total Destruction.* "Premises Total Destruction" shall herein mean damage or destruction to the Premises to the extent that the cost of repair is 50% or more of the fair market value of the Premises immediately prior to such damage or destruction. "Premises Building Total Destruction" shall herein mean damage or destruction to the building of which the Premises are a part to the extent that the cost of repair is 50% or more of the fair market value of such building as a whole immediately prior to such damage or destruction.

8.1.3. *Insured Loss.* "Insured Loss" shall herein mean damage or destruction which was caused by an event required to be covered by the insurance described in Section 7.

8.2. *Partial Damage – Insured Loss.* Subject to the provisions of Sections 8.4, 8.5, and 8.6, if at any time during the term of this Lease there is damage which is an Insured Loss and which falls into the classification of Premises Partial Damage or Premises Building Partial Damage, then Lessor shall, at Lessor's sole cost, repair such damage, but not Lessee's fixtures, equipment or tenant improvements, as soon reasonably possible and this Lease shall continue in full force and effect.

8.3. *Partial Damage – Uninsured Loss.* Subject to the provisions of Sections 8.4, 8.5, and 8.6, if at any time during the term of this Lease there is damage which is not an Insured Loss and which falls within the classification of Premises Partial Damage or Premises Building Partial Damage, unless caused by a negligence or willful act of Lessee (in which event Lessee shall make the repairs at Lessee's expense), Lessor may, at Lessor's option, either (i) repair such damage as soon as reasonably possible at Lessor's expense, in which event this Lease shall continue in full force and effect, or (ii) give written notice to Lessee within thirty (30) days after the date of the occurrence of such damage of Lessor's intention to cancel and terminate this Lease, as of the date of the occurrence of such damage. In the event Lessor elects to give such notice of Lessor's intention to cancel and terminate this Lease, Lessee shall have the right within ten (10) days after the receipt of such notice to give written notice to Lessor of Lessee's intention to repair such damage at Lessee's expense, without reimbursement from Lessor, in which event this Lease shall continue in full force and effect, and Lessee shall proceed to make such repairs as soon as reasonably possible. If Lessee does not give such notice within such 10-day period this Lease shall be cancelled and terminated as of the date of the occurrence of such damage.

8.4. Total Destruction. If at any time during the term of this Lease there is damage, whether or not an Insured Loss (including destruction required by an authorized public authority), which falls into the classification of Premises Total Destruction or Premises Building Total Destruction, this Lease shall automatically terminate as of the date of such total destruction.

8.5. Abatement of Rent; Lessee's Remedies.

8.5.1. In the event of damage described in Sections 8.2 or 8.3, and Lessor or Lessee repairs or restores the Premises pursuant to the provisions of this Section, the Rent payable hereunder for the period during which such damage, repair or restoration continues shall be abated in proportion to the degree to which Lessee's use of the Premises is impaired. Except for abatement of Rent, if any, Lessee shall have no claim against Lessor for any damage suffered by reason of any such damage, destruction, repair or restoration.

8.5.2. If Lessor shall be obligated to repair or restore the Premises under the provisions of this Section and shall not commence such repair or restoration within 90 days after such obligations shall accrue, Lessee may at Lessee's option cancel and terminate this Lease by giving Lessor written notice of Lessee's election to do so at any time prior to the commencement of such repair or restoration. In such event this Lease shall terminate as of the date of such notice.

8.6. Termination – Advance Payments. Upon termination of this Lease pursuant to this Section, an equitable adjustment shall be made concerning advance Rent and any advance payments made by Lessee to Lessor. Lessor shall, in addition, return to Lessee so much of Lessee's security deposit as has not theretofore been applied by Lessor.

8.7. Waiver. Lessor and Lessee waive the provisions of any statutes which relate to termination of leases when leased property is destroyed and agree that such event shall be governed by the terms of this Lease.

9. REAL PROPERTY TAXES.

9.1. Payment of Tax Increase. As of the date of this Lease, the Premises are not subject to real property tax. If, as a result of the use of the Premises by Lessee the Premises, or the property of which the Premises are a part, shall become subject to real property taxation, Lessee shall pay all such real property taxes, as defined in this Lease.

9.2. Definition of "Real Property Tax." As used herein, the term "Real Property Tax" shall include any form of real estate tax or assessment, general, special, ordinary or extraordinary, and any license fee, commercial Rental tax, improvement bond or bonds, levy or tax (other than inheritance, personal income or estate taxes) imposed on the Premises by any authority having the direct or indirect power to tax, including any city, state or federal government, or any school, agricultural, sanitary, fire, street, drainage or other improvement district thereof, as against any legal or equitable interest of Lessor in the Premises or in the real property of which the Premises are a part, as against Lessor's right to Rent or other income therefrom, and as against Lessor's business of leasing the Premises.

9.3. Personal Property Taxes.

9.3.1. Lessee shall pay prior to delinquency all taxes, if any, assessed against and levied upon trade fixtures, furnishings, equipment and all other personal property belonging to Lessee contained in the Premises or elsewhere. When possible, Lessee shall cause said trade fixtures, furnishings, equipment and all other personal property to be assessed and billed separately from the real property of Lessor.

9.3.2. If any of Lessee's said personal property shall be assessed with Lessor's real property, Lessee shall pay Lessor the taxes attributable to Lessee within 10 days after receipt of a written statement setting forth the taxes applicable to Lessee's property.

10. UTILITIES. Lessor shall pay for all water, gas, heat, light, power, telephone and other utilities and services supplied to the Premises, together with any taxes thereon.

11. ASSIGNMENT AND SUBLETTING.

11.1. Lessor's Consent Required. Lessee shall not voluntarily or by operation of law assign, transfer, mortgage, sublet, or otherwise transfer or encumber all or any part of Lessee's interest in this Lease or in the Premises, without Lessor's prior written consent, which Lessor shall not unreasonably withhold. Lessor shall respond to Lessee's request for consent hereunder in a timely manner and any attempted assignment, transfer, mortgage, encumbrance or subletting without such consent shall be void, and shall constitute a breach of this Lease.

11.2. No Release of Lessee. Regardless of Lessor's consent, no subletting or assignment shall release Lessee of Lessee's obligation or alter the primary liability of Lessee to pay the Rent and to perform all other obligations to be performed by Lessee hereunder. The acceptance of Rent by Lessor from any other person shall not be deemed to be a waiver by Lessor of any provision hereof. Consent to one assignment or subletting shall not be deemed consent to any subsequent assignment or subletting. In the event of default by any assignee of Lessee or any successor of Lessee, in the performance of any of the terms hereof, Lessor may proceed directly against Lessee without the necessity of exhausting remedies against said assignee. Lessor may consent to subsequent assignments or subletting of this Lease or amendments or modifications to this Lease with assignees of Lessee, without notifying Lessee, or any successor of Lessee, and without obtaining its or their consent thereto and such action shall not relieve Lessee of liability under this Lease.

12. DEFAULTS; REMEDIES.

12.1. Defaults. The occurrence of any one or more of the following events shall constitute a material default and breach of this Lease by Lessee:

12.1.1. The failure by Lessee to make any payment of Rent or any other payment required to be made by Lessee hereunder, as and when due, where such failure shall continue for a period of three (3) days after written notice thereof from Lessor to Lessee. In the event that Lessor serves Lessee with a Notice to Pay Rent or Quit pursuant to applicable Unlawful Detainer statutes such Notice to Pay Rent or Quit shall also constitute the notice required by this Section.

12.1.2. The failure by Lessee to observe or perform any of the covenants, conditions or provisions of this Lease to be observed or performed by Lessee, other than described in Section 12.1.1 above, where such failure shall continue for a period of Thirty (30) days after written notice thereof from Lessor to Lessee; provided, however, that if the nature of Lessee's default is such that more than Thirty (30) days are reasonably required for its cure, then Lessee shall not be deemed to be in default if Lessee commenced such cure within said Thirty-(30-) day period and thereafter diligently prosecutes such cure to completion.

12.1.3. (i) The making by Lessee of any general arrangement or assignment for the benefit of credits; (ii) Lessee becomes a "debtor" as defined in 11 U.S.S. §101 or any successor statute thereto (unless, in the case of a petition filed against Lessee, the same is dismissed within sixty (60) days); (iii) the appointment of a trustee or receiver to take possession of substantially all of Lessee's assets located at the Premises or of Lessee's interest in this Lease, where possession is not restored to Lessee within Thirty (30) days; or (iv) the attachment, execution or other judicial seizure of substantially all of Lessee's assets located at the Premises or of Lessee's interest in this Lease, where such seizure is not discharged within Thirty (30) days. Provided, however, in the event that any provision of this Section is contrary to any applicable law, such provision shall be of no force or effect.

12.1.4. The discovery by Lessor that any financial statement given to Lessor by Lessee, any assignee of Lessee, any subtenant of Lessee, any successor in interest of Lessee or any guarantor of Lessee's obligation hereunder, and any of them, was materially false.

12.2. Remedies. In the event of any such material default or breach by Lessee, Lessor may at any time thereafter, with or without notice or demand and without limiting Lessor in the exercise of any right or remedy which Lessor may have by reason of such default or breach:

12.2.1. Terminate Lessee's right to possession of the Premises by any lawful means, in which case this Lease shall terminate and Lessee shall immediately surrender possession of the Premises to Lessor. In such event Lessor shall be entitled to recover from Lessee all damages incurred by Lessor by reason of Lessee's default including, but not limited to, the cost of recovering possession of the Premises; expenses of reletting, including necessary renovation and alteration of the Premises, and reasonable attorney's fees.

12.2.2. Pursue any other remedy now or hereafter available to Lessor under the laws or judicial decisions of the state wherein the Premises are located. Unpaid installments of Rent and other unpaid monetary obligations of Lessee under the terms of this Lease shall bear interest from the date due at the maximum rate then allowable by law.

13. CONDEMNATION. If the Premises or any portion thereof are taken under the power of eminent domain, or sold under the threat of the exercise of said power (all of which are herein called "condemnation"), this Lease shall terminate as to the part so taken as of the date the condemning authority takes title or possession, whichever first occurs. Lessee shall not be entitled to any severance damages nor to the value of its leasehold interest hereunder. All awards for such taking shall belong solely and exclusively to Lessor.

14. **LESSOR'S ACCESS.** Lessor and Lessor's agents shall have the right to enter the Premises at reasonable times for the purpose of inspecting the same, showing the same to prospective purchasers, lenders, or Lessees, and making such alterations, repairs, improvements or additions to the Premises or to the building of which they are a part as Lessor may deem necessary or desirable. Lessor may at any time place on or about the Premises any ordinary "For Sale" signs and Lessor may at any time during the last 120 days of the term hereof place on or about the Premises any ordinary "For Lease" signs, all without rebate of Rent or liability to Lessee.

15. **SIGNS.** Lessee shall not place any sign upon the Premises without Lessor's prior written consent except that Lessee shall have the right, without the prior permission of Lessor to place ordinary and usual for Rent or sublet signs thereon.

16. **QUIET POSSESSION.** Upon Lessee paying the Rent for the Premises and observing and performing all of the covenants, conditions and provisions on Lessee's part to be observed and performed hereunder, Lessee shall have quiet possession of the Premises for the entire term hereof subject to all of the provisions of this Lease. The individuals executing this Lease on behalf of Lessor represent and warrant to Lessee that they are fully authorized and legally capable of executing this Lease on behalf of Lessor and that such execution is binding upon all parties holding an ownership interest in the Premises.

17. **INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE.** The Terms and Conditions of that certain Master Contract Management Agreement dated April 14, 2004, to which Focus on the Family and Focus on the Family Action, Inc. are parties are, by this reference, incorporated herein as though set forth in full.

Lessee:

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION, INC., a
Colorado Nonprofit Religious Corporation

By: _____

Name: T. R. Mason
Title: Executive Vice President
Date: April 14, 2004

Lessor:

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY, a California
Nonprofit Religious Corporation

By: _____

Name: Donald Paul Hodel
Title: President
Date: April 14, 2004

*See
28 April 04*

EXHIBIT "A"

NOTICE OF EXERCISE OF OPTION TO ADJUST PREMISES

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS of that certain Lease of April 14, 2004, by and between FOCUS ON THE FAMILY, Lessor, and FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION, INC., Lessee, ("the Lease") the undersigned, Lessee, hereby exercises its option to _____ (increase/decrease) the Premises, as that term is defined in Section 2.1 of the Lease so that the total square footage of the Premises shall be _____ Thousand (_____) square feet in area. The adjustment of the area of the Premises shall become effective on _____, a date more than fifteen (15) days from the date of this Notice.

The undersigned acknowledges that the Rent payable for the Premises shall be adjusted in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 of the Lease in accordance with the change in the area of the Premises occasioned by this Notice.

Dated: _____

Focus on the Family Action, Inc.

By: _____

Its: _____

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION

Colorado Springs, CO 80995-0005

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION, INC.
8605 EXPLORER DRIVE
COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80920
FEIN: 20-0960855

April 26, 2004

Dear

In every non-profit organization, there is a cadre of friends who have understood its purpose and helped to fulfill its mission. You have been among those generous and faithful supporters of Focus on the Family, and we are very grateful for your partnership in strengthening families around the world. That's why I am writing today to make you aware of a new and exciting development in this ministry that I believe will take our advocacy of the family to an even greater level of effectiveness.

I'm sure you know how deeply concerned we are about the welfare of the family at this time. This marvelous institution that came from the hand of the Creator is facing unprecedented legal and political attacks, spearheaded by an unelected and unaccountable judiciary, that threaten its very existence. Indeed, marriage itself is on the ropes, not only in the United States, but also in Canada and other countries around the world. Barring a miracle from God and an uprising by people of faith, the family as it has been known since Bible times will soon be almost unrecognizable in structure and function.

Now, something new is occurring that makes the present situation even more dangerous. The courts, the Internal Revenue Service, and the Federal Election Commission are joining forces to squeeze non-profit organizations, such as Focus on the Family, by making it risky for them to express disagreement with those in power. Furthermore, Members of Congress, in an effort to blunt criticism and assure their reelections, passed something they called "Campaign Finance Reform" last year. One thing this legislation did was to severely limit the ability of citizen groups, such as Focus on the Family, to defend what they believe. When considered as a whole, this aggressiveness by government represents the greatest assault on freedom of expression in American history.

Who could have imagined that in this "land of the free" it would be considered impermissible for entities such as ours to say, for example, "President

Bush has endorsed the Federal Marriage Amendment, and we appreciate his courage in doing so"? That, some authorities now tell us, is prohibited by new IRS guidelines because no politician who is considered to be a candidate for public office can be mentioned in any context anytime in the twelve months prior to an election by a non-profit like ours. Of course, the news media and television journalists are not limited in any way. Nor, seemingly, are certain wealthy liberals, with multibillion-dollar personal fortunes, who are spending millions to criticize conservative politicians. While all these things are going on, those of us in non-profit groups are being muzzled when we try to defend the ideas and values for which our conservative organizations were created.

Finally, we face severe limits on our ability to even lobby effectively. While it is legal for non-profits such as Focus on the Family to ask people to let their voices be heard on a particular legislative issue, we can only safely spend less than *two tenths of one percent* of our total contributions for that purpose. It is a pittance. In our case, sending a single letter to our constituents, if it asks the public to lobby members of Congress, would overspend our allowed allocation for the entire year. Many people write to us after receiving one of my monthly letters and say, "But you didn't tell us what to do about the concerns you raised." Now you know the reason we have not always asked you to call or write. Our small budget allowed by the IRS was exhausted! Given the crises this nation is now facing regarding the family, this suppression of speech is an intolerable situation for us, and one that has led to a very important decision.

Our Board of Directors recently considered our dilemma and took the extraordinary step of segregating the public policy efforts of Focus on the Family into a new organization called "Focus on the Family Action, Inc.," which will continue that work and expand on it. This will allow us to speak freely *and legally* without jeopardizing the tax-deductible status of contributions to the family ministry work of Focus on the Family. Although Focus on the Family Action, Inc. is a 501(c)(4) organization, it is closely associated with Focus on the Family, in serving the broader needs of families. It will have the same Board of Directors and leadership as Focus, but there will be no limits on Focus on the Family Action's ability to encourage Congress and the state legislatures to protect unborn babies, preserve marriage, and stop judicial tyranny by asserting the rightful role of the legislature, and on and on.

I cannot emphasize enough that I have been forced to take this step and the Board has approved it because we want the historic ministry of Focus on the Family to be able to continue to be what it has been for so many years, namely, a Christian ministry to the family and a means of helping people strengthen or come to that saving faith in Jesus Christ, whom we all cherish. Focus on the Family *will continue to reach out to people with help and resources for the family* at every stage of life, whether it's to young marrieds, single parents with young children, families with teens, or those with empty nests. We will also continue to

serve that special group of people who have stayed with us through the years who are now part of Focus over Fifty.

We do not want this new effort to detract from your support of Focus on the Family or from your commitment to our main mission, and we hope you will continue your past faithful support for which we are so very grateful. Evangelism through the family is what we believe God has called us to do, and with your help we want to continue to do that. What we have done in forming Focus on the Family Action is to try to help preserve our rights to worship and our freedom to speak about our God and about Christ. It is entirely possible that certain positions of the Bible (Romans 1, for example) may be viewed legally as "hate speech" in the future, if the present trends are not opposed vigorously. Therefore, we can no longer attempt to protect the family and our faith from the encroachment of government with a tiny financial effort.

Establishing Focus on the Family Action will enable me to use Focus on the Family's daily radio program to address critical issues now facing the family, including the Federal Marriage Amendment and judicial tyranny. I will be better able to stand up for the Ten Commandments in the public square and support legislation to preserve the right to display them. With the new arrangement, I can speak more freely, asking our listeners to contact their legislators in response. While that seems pretty basic, as I have said, I cannot do that now without exceeding the limits placed on non-profits because the funds permitted by the IRS are now exhausted for the year 2004. I will be able to travel to key states where the battle over faith and family is raging so that I can try to personally influence the outcome of that debate.

Donations to Focus on the Family Action, unlike donations to the "original" and on-going Focus on the Family Ministry, are not tax deductible. It is this fact that allows us to spend its designated resources on legislative and political matters. This is also a "membership organization," which means that we will even be allowed to spend an "insubstantial" amount of money speaking to our members about more overt political activity.

Many of our friends who have been worried about our country and its families have said to me, "I feel so helpless. What can I do to make a difference?" Well, now there is something you can do. If you will financially support and encourage this expansion of our legislative efforts, I promise you that we will spare nothing in trying to make our voices heard and in trying to get Christians to speak out on these issues. You have been with Focus on the Family and me long enough to know how much I hate to ask for money. You know, also, that I would not be writing you like this if I did not feel this matter is urgent and that I am absolutely convinced that I have no alternative. I hope you will understand how deeply I feel about what I have written to you today.

Thus, I am inviting you to join me in this new venture as a charter member of Focus on the Family Action. Together, we will speak out vigorously and persuasively

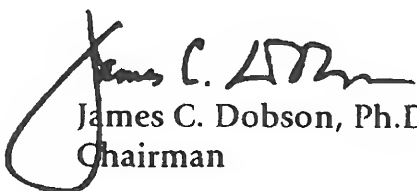
about issues that threaten the future of family and freedom in America. Your gift will help launch this new expanded effort, which I hope and pray will inform, inspire and rally believers to deeper involvement in the great moral, cultural and political issues of our day.

Again, if you decide to join us in fighting this battle by contributing to Focus on the Family Action, remember that your contributions are not tax deductible. Make your check payable to "Focus on the Family Action" (or "FOF Action") and use the enclosed envelope and response device.

In the end, we will only succeed if God wills it. We can accomplish nothing without Him. Please pray for a revival of virtue in America and ask the Lord to use our efforts together to pull this nation back from what someone has called "a mindless race to the bottom."

Thanks for your continued friendship with this ministry. I would love to hear from you when time permits. And if you come through Colorado Springs this summer, do drop by for a visit. You'll be treated like "family."

Sincerely,



James C. Dobson, Ph.D.
Chairman

P.S. I'm hoping that you will view this new venture as a completely separate undertaking from the "regular" home-strengthening work of Focus on the Family. As I said, I don't want to interrupt your already generous support of our ongoing family ministries. But, I am also hoping that you will be motivated to join me in crafting a historic and fundamental change in the way we view the culture wars in America — and how we as Christians respond to them. Know that any encouragement you give us will be greatly appreciated. Sometimes I feel very frustrated when I am fighting this battle. The idea of increasing my ability to speak out and to be joined by you and thousands of others is truly exciting, and I am very grateful for the opportunity to make a difference in such a momentous time. Thank you!

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY ACTION

Dedicated to the Defense of Moral Values and the Family

Response Memo

To: Dr. James Dobson

From:

RE: Charter Membership in Focus on the Family Action

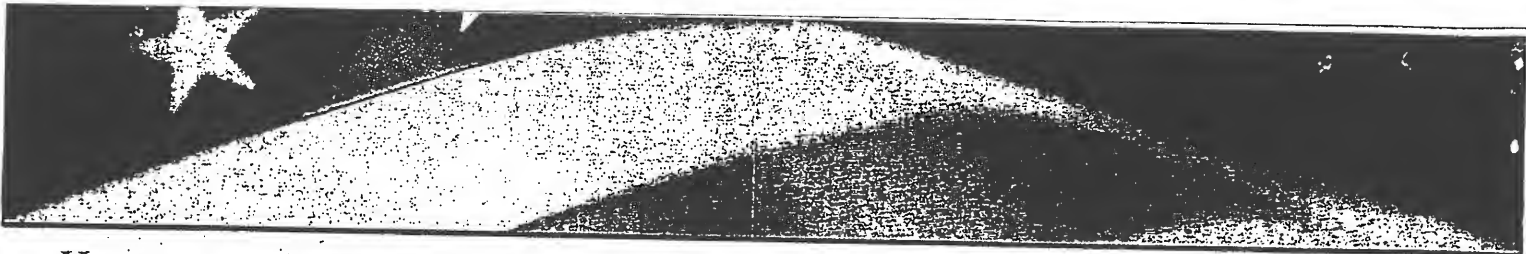
Dr. Dobson, I want to accept your invitation to become a charter member of Focus on the Family Action. Here is my special gift to help you speak out vigorously about issues that threaten our families, our freedom and the very existence of our nation. I'm enclosing a check for \$_____.

**PLEASE RETURN THIS RESPONSE MEMO
IN THE POSTAGE-PAID ENVELOPE PROVIDED.**

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Contributions to Focus on the Family Action are not deductible as charitable contributions for Federal income tax purposes. Focus on the Family Action is not allowed to accept corporate contributions.

**Thank you for investing to protect and preserve
America's basic building block, the family!**



Here are answers to some important questions about Focus on the Family ACTION™.

- **What is Focus on the Family Action?**

Focus on the Family Action is a new cultural action organization that is completely separate from Focus on the Family, legally. It has been created by separating out of Focus on the Family those activities which constitute lobbying under the IRS code so that they can be expanded in scope. It will provide a platform for informing, inspiring and rallying those who care deeply about the family to greater involvement in the moral, cultural and political issues that threaten our nation.

Focus on the Family Action will give me and my team much greater freedom to take our views to the public square, where the great debate over culture, rights, freedom and values is taking place, and allow me to ask people to take specific actions such as calling senators and congressmen to pass important, family-friendly legislation. I can be more effective in fighting for the Federal Marriage Amendment and against judicial tyranny. To date, we are hearing from members of Congress that too many Christians have been no-shows. But by working together we can change that. We can tackle head-on the most troubling problems facing our great nation and begin changing its direction before it is too late.

- **Why a separate organization?**

Because gifts to Focus on the Family are tax deductible, the Internal Revenue Service severely limits its involvement in such issues. Speaking for Focus on the Family, I can only take stands on ballot measures and lobby legislative bodies to a very limited extent. But Focus on the Family

Action is formed under IRS section 501(c)(4). It will be free of any such restrictions and allow me to speak out freely on the range of issues that affect the family.

- **Are you leaving Focus on the Family?**

Certainly not! I will remain deeply involved in Focus on the Family — as its chairman, host of its daily radio program and as "chief ministry architect." Don Hodel, who is President and CEO, will continue to manage Focus's day-to-day operations.

- **Why you and why now?**

For nearly 40 years I have been watching a nonstop, withering attack from social and political liberals that is tearing families apart, undermining marriage, belittling Christian values and endangering our children. Most of what we as Christians believe is now either viewed as passé — or openly ridiculed. It's time to say, "Enough is enough!"

If we don't act now, most of what we hold dear will be trampled in the name of political correctness. But incredibly, Americans, and Christians in particular, have not responded to protect our most precious rights, liberties and beliefs. I want to address this apathy. And the only way to do it is through an agile, aggressive cultural and family advocacy organization like Focus on the Family Action.

- **What are you asking of me?**

I am seeking the help of people who believe deeply in family, traditional moral values and the America envisioned by our Founding Fathers. I am asking you to step out in faith and become a member of Focus on the Family Action. I seek your prayers,

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your input, your involvement and your financial support as we work together to speak out vigorously about matters that threaten our families, our rights and our freedom.

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Answers to Your Questions

By Dr. James Dobson



June 2004

Dear Friends,

By now, the whole world must know that former President of the United States, Ronald Wilson Reagan, died on June 5, 2004, of pneumonia following a ten-year battle with Alzheimer's disease. His death was very nostalgic and sad for me personally, as it was for millions of other Americans who loved and admired the man known affectionately as "the Gipper."

Former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher credited Mr. Reagan with winning the Cold War "without firing a shot." It was not an exaggeration. His belief in this country and in the cause of freedom led him to stare down the old Soviet Union and bring the international scourge of Communism to a crashing conclusion. There were many accomplishments of this great leader during his eight-year term of office, but we honor his memory and legacy today for another reason.

Ronald Reagan will always be one of my heroes because he had the courage to defend the unborn child and openly support the institution of the family at a time when it was considered politically suicidal to even utter such things. Prior to his coming on the scene, President and Mrs. Gerald Ford, and President and Mrs. Jimmy Carter, had been outspoken defenders of abortion for any reason, or for no reason, throughout nine months of pregnancy. Betty Ford and Rosalynn Carter were also tireless promoters of the Equal Rights Amendment, which would have added language to the U.S. Constitution that, in the hands of liberal judges, promised to codify the entire radical feminist agenda into law.

In 1977, the Carter Administration sponsored the International Women's Year Conference in Houston, Texas, at a cost to the taxpayers of three million dollars. It became a forum for every radical

THE REAGAN LEGACY RONALD WILSON REAGAN, 1911-2004



This photograph was taken during a Focus on the Family interview in the Oval Office with President Reagan in 1985.

idea put forth by the likes of Gloria Steinem, Bella Abzug, Betty Friedan and all their left-wing buddies. Phyllis Schlafly, perhaps the only well-known conservative woman in the country at the time, was not even allowed to participate. She had to hold her own privately funded event down the street. What came from the Women's Conference was a litany of crazy proposals for changing the family and promoting lesbianism and abortion.

I'm sure you can understand why, given the liberal environment of the day, the candidacy of Ronald Reagan was so exciting in 1980. I had observed him as the governor of California and knew that he was a man of conviction and principle. Focus on the Family was less than three years old at the time, but we saw in Reagan a champion who would support the things in which we passionately believed. Of course, I could not reveal that support as the leader of a nonprofit organization, but you can guess whom Shirley and I voted for.

We were ecstatic when Reagan won the election in November and prepared to take office. Then one day in December, an official-looking letter arrived at my office, inviting me and several guests to attend the inaugural events in Washington, D.C. We accepted enthusiastically and were there with eight friends on what turned out to be one of the most exciting days of my life, January 20, 1981. Banners everywhere proclaimed "A New Beginning" as Ronald Wilson Reagan prepared to take the Oath of Office. We were in the crowd on the west side of the Capitol Building that day as the new President gave his first Inaugural Address. Almost on cue, Iran released the 52 American hostages at the precise moment the President strode to the microphone. He then rode down Pennsylvania Avenue toward the White House, waving to the throngs of supporters that lined the street.



A private meeting with President Reagan in 1986.

That evening, the Reagans attended nine "inaugural balls" located in various parts of the city. The President greeted well wishers at each event and then he and Nancy danced, to the delight of the crowds. Shirley and I, along with our friends, were invited to attend the ball held in the Smithsonian American Museum building, along with a crush of perhaps 1,000 people. We stood shoulder to shoulder in a very noisy and smoky room, hoping merely to catch a glimpse of the first family sometime during the evening. The chances of our getting within 50 yards of Mr. Reagan were remote.



*Shirley joined me for an Oval Office visit in 1987.
I was wearing the same suit as in my 1986 visit,
but at least I changed ties.*

Hours passed and it became clear that our inaugural ball would be last on the President's itinerary. About ten minutes to midnight, it dawned on my friend, Jim Davis, and me that a massive human traffic jam would occur after Mr. Reagan's brief visit. A thousand people would suddenly attempt to get their wraps from a small checkroom. To avoid the chaos, the two of us decided to get our overcoats before the honored guests arrived. It proved to be a fortuitous decision. As we were returning from the checkroom with our coats over our arms, we saw eight or 10 men running into a stairwell.

"Something's going on," we said, and decided to follow. Jim and I quickly caught up with the men—who turned out to be Secret Service agents on a mission. Because we were all dressed in tuxedos, the agents failed to notice that Jim and I had infiltrated their group. We exited the stairwell on the second floor and there, standing three feet from us, was the new President of the United States and his First Lady. We were dumbfounded to have stumbled onto "the prize" that everyone in Washington would have coveted.

It was a breathless moment—and a scary one too. We knew at any moment that the brawny security officers would gang tackle us for being so close to the President. Amazingly, however, they still failed to notice our presence. I am 6' 2" and Jim is 6' 5", both of us were in our early 40s, so we must have looked like members of the Secret Service. Before we could figure out how to slip away gracefully, the First Family was announced from the platform by the emcee, Pat Boone. The great mass of humanity had been waiting for hours in the hot, crowded room and responded with a deafening roar. That was the signal. President and Mrs. Reagan began making their way down a "corridor" created by two lines of blue uniformed police officers and on toward the platform. So what were we to do? Yep, that's what we did. Jim and I followed the President and his First Lady to the platform, walking not more than three feet behind them. It was one of the dumbest things I had ever done, but we couldn't resist the opportunity that had presented itself. My heart was jumping out of my chest—knowing that I shouldn't be there—and that I could be shot for my intrusion. But I was also incredibly jazzed to be within inches of the man of the hour.

Jim and I did have the sense, fortunately, not to follow the new President up the stairs to the platform. We waited below while Mr. Reagan greeted his supporters and began dancing with Nancy. Immediately above us stood a scowling Secret Service agent looking furtively at the crowd for any sign of suspicion or danger.

Suddenly, he realized that Jim and I were not his friends. Panic gripped him. I'm sure a dozen questions burned through his brain simultaneously, including, "Who are these big dudes? Why do they have coats over their arms? What is hidden beneath them and why are they trailing the President?" He raced down from the platform and pushed me angrily.

"Get out of here!" he screamed.

Jim and I accepted his suggestion.

When we reached the end of the path that had been cordoned off, we opened our jackets, showed the agents our overcoats and made our motives abundantly clear.

"We just want to greet the President," we explained.

The agent saw that we posed no threat and agreed to let us stand there until President and Mrs. Reagan came down from the platform. He stopped to shake a few hands and we got another close look at the man whom I later came to love and admire greatly.

Just a little more than two months later, Ronald Reagan exited the Washington Hilton after giving a speech. He was shot by a deranged young man named John Hinckley. When I heard of the attack, I thought of the porous security that allowed Jim and me, almost accidentally, to get within three feet of the most powerful man on earth. From this perspective, it was not surprising that someone had actually gotten close enough to wound and nearly kill Mr. Reagan.

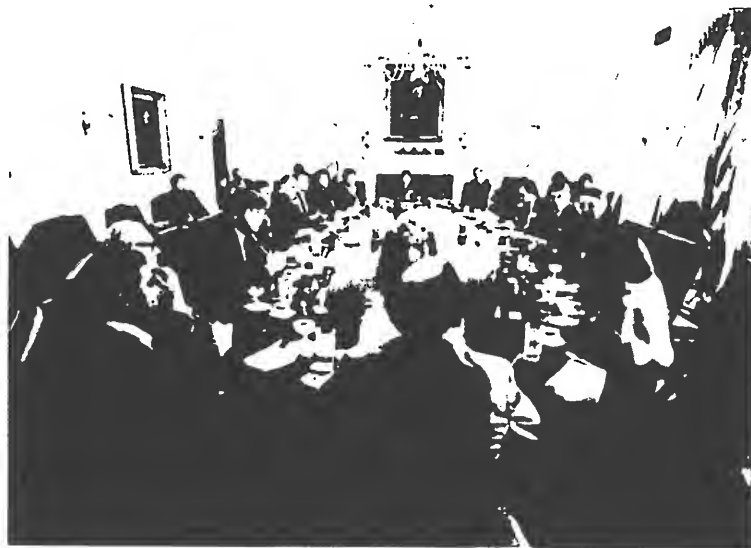
I went to Washington sometime later to interview Dr. Benjamin Aaron, the surgeon who operated on the President after the assassination attempt. (We still have that tape in our library.) The doctor told me that Mr. Reagan very nearly bled to death that day. If the Secret Service had taken him to the White House instead of the hospital as initially suggested, he wouldn't have pulled through.

The following January, I attended the Presidential Prayer Breakfast in Washington and heard Mr. Reagan tell about his brush with death. He was overcome with emotion as he told how the Lord had carried him during that time of crisis.

Well, each of these encounters with Ronald Reagan occurred from a position of anonymity. He didn't yet know me and I didn't seek to meet him. Then a call came one day from the White House, saying the President wanted to appoint me to the Commission on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. I accepted and served on that National Advisory Commission for three years until congressional liberals learned that our views and recommendations were more conservative than theirs. Then they promptly de-funded our commission.

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In 1983, I was invited to come to the White House to meet the President personally and to consult with him about the preservation of the family. It was a heady experience, I assure you, to walk that first time into the Oval Office where Franklin Roosevelt and Winston Churchill dealt with the weighty issues of war, and where other momentous affairs of state were discussed. More importantly, I had an opportunity in that era to make a series of recommendations that were implemented broadly within the Reagan Administration. Among them was a policy that required every department in the executive branch of government to conduct a "family impact study" before initiating new programs. Years later, President Bill Clinton would cancel that executive order without explanation.



This meeting was held in the Cabinet Room of the White House, to discuss tax relief for families with children. Barely visible in front of the President is the jar holding his beloved jelly beans. I am sitting to his left.

After that I was invited to serve as co-chairman of the President's "Committee for Tax-Reform," for the purpose of promoting tax relief for families. We were successful in enticing Congress to raise the deduction for each dependent from \$600 to \$2,000. As on so many other occasions through the years, a massive outpouring of telephone calls and letters from our friends was instrumental in driving that tax relief through Congress. I interviewed the President in the Oval Office for our radio program, inviting him to make the case for lower taxes for families. To my knowledge, it is the only interview of that type that he granted from that historic spot.


Then came a delightful experience at the White House. Shirley and I were invited to an official "State Dinner" hosted by the Reagans. It was truly a Cinderella evening for both of us, but it was not without its amusing moments. On the afternoon before the gala event, we realized that people do not go to formal White House events in taxicabs. We needed to obtain a limousine to take us up the White House driveway. I called my secretary, Dee Otte, and asked her to charter something appropriate for me. Not being used to such luxury, neither Dee nor I knew what to ask for. When the chauffeur came to get us at the hotel, he was driving the largest automobile I had ever seen. It appeared to be 100 feet long. We were embarrassed even to get in the vehicle but had no choice.

Gary Bauer shares a story that occurred during one of his regular lunch meetings with the President. Each senior staff member was given an opportunity to raise an issue or two with "the boss," after gaining prior approval from the chief of staff. Without asking anyone, Gary discussed a problem that he knew would make his superiors uncomfortable. He told the President about a little girl in Bloomington, Indiana, who was suffering from severe life-threatening complications associated with Downs Syndrome. Apparently, the child's parents had received terrible medical advice and instead of seeking treatment, had the baby rolled into the corner of the hospital nursery where a sign was hung on the crib that said, "Do not feed." A Christian nurse observed this barbaric situation and called the White House, wondering if there was any legal recourse available. As Gary spoke, he noticed that his colleagues flinched because this story was not the kind of topic that is worthy of the President's time. Then he looked at Mr. Reagan and saw that he had tears in his eyes. He had been deeply moved by Gary's account of the hurting child. He ordered that the Justice Department seek to protect her from those who would allow her to die. Incredibly, the judges who are able to find legal justification for killing unborn babies could not figure out how to preserve the life of "Baby Doe."

Well, those days have now slid into history and three other Presidents have occupied the House on Pennsylvania Avenue. Mr. Reagan has gone on to meet his reward. Many millions of us mourn his passing and are thankful for the impact he made on this nation.

That brings me back to my dream and its application to the entire human family. Not only did Ronald Reagan's day in the sun quickly come to an end, but so must yours and mine. Even for the highest and mightiest among us—those who achieve every honor and accomplishment—there will come a time when the books will close on our brief journey on this earth. My lifelong prayer has been that when that moment comes for me, I will hear those words from Jesus Christ, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant. Thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things. Enter the Kingdom prepared for you from the foundations of the world." I believe Ronald Wilson Reagan was greeted by the Savior with those words of welcome when he reached the portals of Heaven. I hope to meet him again someday in that bright land that will know no night.

Sincerely,


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Founder and Chairman

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Dedicated to the Defense of Moral Values and the Family

July 2, 2004

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Schwehm
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Dear Mr. and Mrs. Schwehm,

Are you sitting down? If not, perhaps you'd better be. What I'm about to tell you will upset you.

Your U.S. Senators, Mike DeWine and George Voinovich, do not believe that every child deserves a mom and a dad. Why would I make such an outlandish statement? Neither Senator DeWine or Senator Voinovich will support an amendment to the U.S. Constitution that is the only way to prevent some children from being raised in households that are intentionally fatherless or motherless.

I'm talking, of course, about the Federal Marriage Amendment. Every senator knows that the only way to preserve marriage as one man and one woman is to spell it out in the Constitution. Unless we do, state laws will be struck down by the courts in state after state, and we will have homosexual marriages across the country. It has already begun in Massachusetts, and homosexual activists will not rest until they have destroyed the definition of marriage everywhere.

They want to change all our laws to say that two fathers, or two mothers, are just as good as a mom and a dad. But you and I both know that is not true. How can two men teach a little girl to grow up to become a woman? How can two women teach a little boy what it means to become a man?

So far, Senators DeWine and Voinovich seem to be agreeing with the homosexual activists by their unwillingness to sign up and support the Federal Marriage Amendment.

In just a matter of days, the amendment will be put to a vote in the Senate. Please — today if at all possible — take a moment and call both of your senators' district offices. Call or visit all of them if you possibly can. Say you want them to support the Federal Marriage Amendment. Here are the phone numbers: Senator DeWine: 614-469-5186, 513-763-8260, 216-522-7272, 419-259-7536, 740-373-2317, 937-376-3080, 800-205-OHIO (6446) and Senator Voinovich: 614-469-6697, 216-522-7095, 513-684-3265, 419-259-3895.

Your senator will not answer the phone. An assistant will answer, and you might hear this: "The Senator doesn't believe the Constitution should be amended for issues like this." But you might remind the assistant that the last time the Constitution was amended, in 1992, the issue was congressional pay raises. If they can put their pay raises in the Constitution, they can put marriage in the Constitution.

Or, you might hear this: "The Senator believes marriage should be handled at the state level, and our state already has a law defining marriage." Well that's just great. That

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means some states will permit homosexual marriage and some will not. And that means that in some states a child might have two fathers and in another state he or she might have no father. It means that in one state a child might have two mothers and in another state — no mother at all. It could also mean the possibility of having 50 different definitions of marriage, which would create social chaos. Do we want to sit by and watch any child grow up in this kind of confusion? Of course we don't.

And by the way, don't be swayed by any argument that says a mere state law is enough to protect marriage. Elitist judges declare laws unconstitutional every day. The only thing judges cannot declare unconstitutional is the Constitution itself! That's why a constitutional amendment is the only solution.

Frankly, the people in some states do not believe that the U.S. Senate has the courage to pass the Federal Marriage Amendment. A few already have changed their own state constitutions to define marriage themselves, and another handful vote on the matter later this year. We applaud their efforts to protect their own children.

But the only way for all of us to stand together and protect all of our children is to pass the Federal Marriage Amendment — and quickly. Please make those phone calls now, while you're thinking about it.

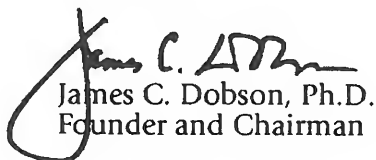
And please do one more thing. We must get this word out to many more people. But we cannot use regular Focus on the Family budget to do it. That's why we created a new lobbying arm, called Focus on the Family Action, for the purpose of sending urgent messages such as this one.

We want to speak out vigorously and persuasively about the great moral, cultural and political issues of our day. And in some states we are doing even more by paying for expensive newspaper ads to further carry the word about senators who are ducking their responsibility to children, simply because they don't want to stand up to the homosexual activists.

But all of this is beyond our regular budget. We don't have that kind of money. And we will not be able to fight this battle without the help of friends like you — concerned citizens who believe deeply in the sanctity of marriage. Won't you consider sending a contribution to Focus on the Family Action so that we can alert more and more people to the crisis facing marriage?

Won't you also join us in our effort to defend traditional marriage by contributing to Focus on the Family Action today? Your gift will help us inform, inspire and rally believers to deeper involvement in issues that threaten family and freedom in America. Your contribution is not tax deductible, but it has never been more essential. Please act now. Thank you!

Sincerely,



James C. Dobson, Ph.D.
Founder and Chairman

P.S. Please take a moment — today if possible — to contact your U.S. Senators and request that he or she support passage of the Federal Marriage Amendment. Nothing short of the future of traditional marriage in America is at stake. Thanks again.

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EDITOR'S PICKS: Resources for Impacting (and Living in) Your World.

"America's Godly Heritage"
by David Barton

<http://www.family.org/resources/itempg.cfm?itemid=3342&refcd=CE04GCZL&tvar=no>

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CITIZENLINK BREAKING NEWS:

Flurry of Activity as FMA Vote Nears
by Pete Winn, associate editor

SUMMARY: Public endorsements grow for legislation to preserve traditional marriage.

The fate of the Federal Marriage Amendment (FMA) could be decided Wednesday, when the Senate takes a vote on the proposed legislation. As expected, the FMA is the center of activity this week -- on Capitol Hill, and around the country.

Here's a rundown of the latest developments:

<FMA News Conference -- Alliance for Marriage>

The Alliance for Marriage (AFM), which originated the idea for a constitutional amendment to protect the definition of marriage as the union of one man and one woman, held a news conference in defense of the FMA this afternoon at the U.S. Capitol.

"(The debate and vote on the FMA) is merely the beginning of an effort to take this to the people," said AFM President Matt Daniels, defending the amendment against charges it was merely part of election-year politicking.

"This is a process which began with the Alliance for Marriage creating the text, introducing it with a Democrat (Rep. Ronnie Shouse, D-Miss.) as the main sponsor in the House in 2002. It will continue after the election."

FMA is not about politics -- it's about marriage.

"The debate over the future of marriage is more important than either party," he explained. "It's more important than this election -- it precedes this election and will continue after this election. We've had bipartisan sponsorship for our amendment from the very beginning."

Representatives from 40 groups attended, along with Sen. Bill Frist, R-Tenn., the majority leader of the Senate, and conservative stalwart Sen. Sam Brownback, R-Kan.

"All of them share a belief that we cannot survive as a nation if marriage is destroyed by a handful of activist lawyers and judges," Daniels said. "To characterize these people as nothing more than partisan pawns is to demean them."

<Public Endorsements>

The Alliance for Marriage is not alone in its support of FMA

**The Southern Baptist Convention recently adopted a resolution of support.

**Last Friday, the Family Research Council (FRC), the American Family Association, the Center for Reclaiming America and the American Center for Law and Justice presented the sponsor of the Federal Marriage Amendment, Sen. Wayne Allard, R-Colo., with petitions signed by 1.4 million people in support of traditional marriage. An additional 1.1 million are expected Tuesday.

"With activist federal judges, some no doubt waiting for the opportunity to redefine marriage for the entire country, we must have an amendment to the U.S. Constitution and we are here today with yet another clear example of the overwhelming public support for an amendment to protect marriage," FRC President Tony Perkins said.

<Where Senators Stand>

Senate debate on FMA continues

Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist promised two full days of debate, today and Tuesday, on the FMA, with a vote to follow Wednesday. Sen. Harry Reid, D-Nev., a Democratic leader, acknowledged that Democrats do not intend to hold the measure hostage -- ostensibly

because they do not believe it has enough votes to pass.

Several Republican senators have said they don't support the idea of amending the Constitution. Others, such as Sen. Lincoln Chafee, R-R.I., actively oppose the idea.

****Senators who have clarified or changed their positions in support of FMA since June 2004

Sen. Don Nickles, R-Okla.
Sen. Christopher Bond, R-Mo.
Sen. Pat Roberts, R-Kan.
Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho
Sen. Mike Crapo, R-Idaho
Sen. George Allen, R-Va.
Sen. Lamar Alexander, R-Tenn.
Sen. Gordon Smith, R-Ore.

To find out where your senators stand, please the "Federal Marriage Amendment Action Center" on CitizenLink.org.

<http://www.family.org/cforum/extras/a0032482.cfm>

<Publicly Stated Positions>

****Cheneys divided on amendment**:**

CNN reported over the weekend that Vice President Dick Cheney's wife, Lynne, said publicly she believed that the issue of homosexual marriage ought to be left to the states -- which she said should have the right to decide whether to recognize gay couples.

Cheney, a conservative scholar and former head of the National Endowment for the Humanities, told CNN that "people should be free to enter into . . . relationships they choose, (and states should be free to recognize them.)"

The president and vice president both support a constitutional ban on gay marriage. The Cheneys' younger daughter, Mary, is a lesbian activist.

****President Vigorously Defends FMA****

In response to questions last week, President Bush came out strongly in support of the FMA.

Bush devoted his entire Saturday radio address to the FMA.

"For ages, in every culture, human beings have understood that traditional marriage is critical to the well-being of families," he said. "And because families pass along values and shape character, traditional marriage is also critical to the health of society. Our policies should aim to strengthen families, not undermine them. And changing the definition of traditional marriage will undermine the family structure."

Bush also spoke out in defense of the FMA at a campaign appearance in Pennsylvania.

"I believe in the sanctity of marriage," he said. "I believe that marriage is an important part of the future of families, the traditional definition of marriage. History has shown us that marriage between men and women has served society well, and any redefinition by itself will weaken marriage."

"Secondly, this is a subject which ought not be decided by courts. This is a decision which ought to be decided -- this is too important a decision to have defined by four judges in a state, say, like Massachusetts. And therefore, I believe the people ought to be encouraged to participate in the process."

<Opinion Polls>

A new nationwide survey conducted by pollster George Barna indicates that more than one-third of all adults have never heard about the Federal Marriage Amendment. That's 37 percent of voting-age citizens.

Opinions on the merits of the FMA were nearly evenly divided. In total, 46 percent favored

the amendment while
44 percent opposed it. The remaining 10 percent had no opinion.

When people's opinions were examined by the intensity of their opinion, 35 percent strongly favored the amendment, 11 percent moderately support it, 31 percent were strongly opposed and 13 percent were somewhat opposed.

FAMILY NEWS IN FOCUS STORIES:

Parental Involvement Key, Study Says
by Steve Jordahl, correspondent

SUMMARY: Active involvement in children's lives can help protect them from all kinds of trouble.

There's more proof that proactive parenting keeps kids out of trouble, courtesy of a new Johns Hopkins University study that found teenage African-American girls with an actively involved parent were less likely to contract a sexually transmitted disease.

It's an idea that 16-year-old Katy Bumpus already understands. While she and her parents disagree about a lot of things, such as music, they all agree Katy is better off because her parents are close.

"They ask me every question you can think of," Katy said, "but I like it because it shows they're involved."

Linda Klepacki, manager of abstinence policy at Focus on the Family, said the research is pretty clear: Parental boundaries are important to a child's development.

"It's very likely that teenagers will break those rules at times," she explained, "but that doesn't mean that we're disqualified from setting them as parents."

The study found communication alone is not enough. Parents need to be specific about boundaries.

"When parents really do set very firm boundaries with their children on sexual behaviors, and they talk very specifically with their teens about what they expect and what they don't expect in sexual behavior -- that's when we see behavioral reduction," Klepacki said.

John Rosemond, a spokesman for the Center for Affirmative Parenting, said parents are a better "ear" than some of their child's friends.

"(It is important) that you let (your child) know that you're interested, that you let them know that if they need somebody to talk to who's older and wiser than one of their peers that you're the person," Rosemond said.

The study was published in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: The Focus on the Family Social Issues Web site's Abstinence Policy pages provide significant information about abstinence issues and the need for parental involvement.

<http://www.family.org/cforum/fosi/abstinence/>

Anti-Prostitution Amendment Passes
by Keith Peters, Washington, D.C., correspondent

SUMMARY: Congress has moved to keep your tax dollars from supporting prostitution overseas.

Legislative language ensuring that your tax dollars will not wind up being used to support prostitution or sex trafficking overseas has passed through Congress.

The provision seeks to undo a situation that allows international groups that promote prostitution and sex trafficking on their Web sites to receive U.S. tax dollars through some federal grants fighting the HIV/AIDS epidemic. The measure passed in the form of an amendment, authored by Rep. Todd Akin, R-Mo., to an appropriations bill.

Akin said the prospects for the bill look good.

"The chairman said the amendment had broad support among . . . conservatives and moderates alike, people who do not support the trafficking and sex trade," Akin said.

The amendment also states that funding will only be provided to groups with policies that explicitly and openly oppose prostitution and sex trafficking. The language was attached to the Commerce, Justice, State Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2005.

Michael Schwartz, vice president of government relations at Concerned Women for America, said the top way AIDS has spread in Africa is prostitution, which he called nothing more than slavery.

"Efforts to eradicate prostitution are not only among the most important public health matters that need to be taken," he explained, "but the most important human liberation efforts in our world today."

Clintons are 'All the Rage' at Commencement by Steve Jordahl, correspondent

SUMMARY: Bill and Hillary Clinton -- and officials from the Clinton administration -- are still widely sought after as college commencement speakers, according to the Young America's Foundation.

It was no surprise that Hillary Clinton would speak at the commencement of her alma mater, Wellesley, as she did shortly after she and her husband, Bill, left the White House in 2001. As she said at the time: "No matter what I am doing, I always encounter women from Wellesley, and there is something unique about us. I don't know what it is, but it is there, it is present."

But since then, Mrs. Clinton -- who is now a U.S. senator from New York -- the ex-president and his close advisers have been on an unending college commencement tour, according to Young America's Foundation spokesman Roger Custer.

The real problem lies with what they present.

"They bring the general message that Bill Clinton is the type of person who should be celebrated and who has a moral character that should be celebrated," Custer said.

As skewed as that message seems, it plays very well with students who have had four years with liberal professors.

"Certainly, the Clinton legacy will live on for many years with the generation of students who are graduating now," Custer said. "They're . . . the Clinton-era of people who came to know politics while Clinton was in office."

Daryl Hart, of the conservative Intercollegiate Studies Institute, said the "Clinton Commencement Tour" is simply an effort to keep the former first family on the minds of voters.

"I think there's still probably some -- not some, a lot of -- of interest in Hillary eventually running for the presidency," Hart said, "so it's not as if it's a finished administration by any means."

NEWS BRIEFS:

Same-Sex Couple Already Seeking Divorce

It might be too soon to start saying 'I told you so,' but evidence confirming what many

already know -- homosexual relationships are notoriously unstable and short lived -- is already filtering in. One homosexual couple issued a marriage license by the city of San Francisco and Mayor Gavin Newsom just a few months ago is already trying to dissolve that decision.

Stories like this and others only give more credence to the voice of those fighting for the preservation of marriage as between one man and one woman -- but gay activists press on.

Michelangelo Signorile, a homosexual activist and writer, said that he and others like him will fight for same-sex marriage in order to "redefine the institution of marriage completely, to demand the right to marry, not as a way of adhering to society's moral codes, but rather to debunk a myth and radically alter an archaic institution."

The California couple's attorney stated that they are waiting on the outcome of the California Supreme Court decision as to whether the license was valid in the first place. If the court's ruling voids the license, then no further action will be needed. If the court affirms the licenses, then the couple will proceed with a "divorce."

Ugandan President Touts ABC Sex-Ed Method

As the impasse between the abstinence and condom camps in the AIDS prevention debate re-emerged at a global AIDS conference in Bangkok today, Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni voiced his support for abstinence education.

Abstinence is the best way to prevent the spread of the virus, said Museveni, whose country is one of few African nations that has been successful in dealing with the AIDS crisis. The country's "ABC" method (Abstinence, Being faithful and Condoms) has been modeled in the AIDS policies of the Bush administration, which are under fire at the conference.

"I look at condoms as an improvisation, not a solution," Museveni said on the second day of the 15th International AIDS Conference in Bangkok.

Museveni voiced his support for "optimal relationships based on love and trust instead of institutionalized mistrust which is what the condom is all about."

AIDS has killed 20 million people and infected 38 million.

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--Col. George Mason, Virginia Bill of Rights, 1776

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We Must Take a Stand for the Federal Marriage Amendment

by James C. Dobson, Ph.D.

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The family has never faced a graver threat than the push for homosexual marriage. And there is no time to waste in doing our part to protect the family from this danger.

Dear Friends,

This is an absolutely crucial letter because the institution I created Focus on the Family to preserve — the family — is not only under attack as it has never been before: it is on the verge of extinction.

Tyrannical judges, rogue public officials and homosexual activists are working tirelessly to redefine the traditional family by extending marriage rights to same-sex couples — as recent news headlines out of the city of San Francisco, Oregon and Massachusetts make painfully evident. The only way to thwart their efforts, to ensure that the institutions of marriage and family as God ordained them are protected for future generations, is to pass the Federal Marriage Amendment (FMA).

But that won't happen without you. Your voice, your phone calls to your congressman and senators, are crucial if the FMA is to get the two-thirds majorities it needs to pass both the House and the Senate. The sad fact of the matter is that lawmakers don't think voters care about this issue; they say they are not hearing from their constituents on the subject. We must change that. We must show them that protecting the sanctity of marriage is of vital importance to our nation.

That's why I'm urging you (even if you have done so before) to call, fax and e-mail those men and women who have been sent to Washington to represent you. They are answerable to you. Tell them you expect them to support the Federal Marriage Amendment.

To locate contact information quickly, please call 1-800-A-FAMILY or visit CitizenLink, our Web site that offers you the latest pro-family news.

Contacting your legislators is the first step in this battle. Your friends and neighbors must also be convinced of the importance of FMA's passage. You can help educate them by writing a letter to the editor of your local newspaper. We have tried to make this process easier for you, with a Web "wizard" that allows you to assemble a letter by copying and pasting a series of talking points. Visit the following link:

Thank you for your continued partnership with Focus on the Family and for taking a bold stand for marriage and the family — before there is nothing left to support.

Sincerely,

James C. Dobson, Ph.D.
Chairman
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P.S. I encourage you to stay abreast of the latest news on the battle to protect marriage by signing up for our free e-mail newsletter, the CitizenLink Daily Update, which provides you the information you need to know on a host of pro-family issues — plus easy-to-access information on how you can make your views known to decision-makers in government and the media.

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Federal Marriage Amendment Action Center

The Senate will vote soon on the Federal Marriage Amendment, and time grows short for you to take action — especially if your senators aren't firmly committed to supporting the proposed constitutional amendment.

If the future of marriage and the family is important to you, please commit to contacting your elected officials right away.

Below, you'll find several resources Focus on the Family has compiled to **help you understand the importance** of the Federal Marriage Amendment at this critical moment; and to **contact your senators** to help convince them of its importance, as well.

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o To learn more about the FMA — and to read the text of the proposed amendment — [click here](#).

o To find out where your senators stand, [click here](#)

o To read actual comments and statements on FMA made by Sens. Bayh, D-Ind.; Lugar, R-Ind.; DeWine, R-Ohio; Voinovich, R-Ohio; Landrieu, D-La.; Breaux, D-La.; Murkowski, R-Alaska; Hagel, R-Neb.; (Ben) Nelson, D-Neb.; Pryor, D-Ark.; Lincoln, D-Ark.; Dorgan, D-N.D.; Conrad, D-N.D.; Daschle, D-S.D.; and Johnson, D-S.D., **please see "Senators' Statements on FMA" below.**

o For answers to some of the more common questions about the FMA, [click here](#).

o For help in arranging a face-to-face meeting with your congressman or senator — the most effective way to make your views known and ensuring they are heard — read the

Citizen Magazine feature "[Home is Where the Influence Is.](#)"

o To contact your senators, including district office numbers, [click here](#).

o For information about an Oct. 15 rally in Washington, D.C., on the National Mall for marriage at which Dr. Dobson is speaking, please see the [May Day for Marriage.com Web site](#).

o A Marriage Simulcast — "The Battle for Marriage: Imminent Vote" — will take place this Sunday, July 11, at 7 p.m. EDT. For more information, please see the [We Vote Values.com Web site](#).

o "Protect Marriage Sunday" / "Call Your Senator Day" are coming up. Spearheaded by American Family Association, "Protect Marriage Sunday" is this Sunday, July 11. "Call Your Senator Day" is scheduled for Monday, July 12

For more information, please see the [Protect Marriage Sunday Web site](#).

o A news conference on FMA will be held Monday, July 12, in Washington, D.C., in the Mansfield Room of the Capitol from 2:45 p.m. EDT to 3:15 p.m., featuring Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, the United States Catholic Conference, civil rights leaders Roy Innis and Walter Fauntroy, and other members of the Alliance for Marriage national coalition.

o To stay abreast of the latest developments in the battle to save marriage — and to receive up-to-the-minute action alerts on how you can make a difference, [sign up](#) to receive Focus on the Family's daily CitizenLink e-mail news service. It's free!

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## **SENATORS' STATEMENTS ON THE FEDERAL MARRIAGE AMENDMENT**

Senators in INDIANA, OHIO, LOUISIANA, ALASKA, NEBRASKA, ARKANSAS, NORTH DAKOTA and SOUTH DAKOTA don't support FMA and need to hear from their constituents.

Here's a sampling of what they have been saying on the topic:

**Bayh (IN):**

"Sen. Bayh has not made a decision on the FMA but feels that amending the Constitution is a big step and that other possible actions should be considered closely before such a step is taken."

— Meg Keck, Bayh press officer (6-14-04)

**Lugar (IN):**

"I believe that a marriage should be between a man and a woman. The issue of same sex marriages has been handled almost entirely as a state matter. In Indiana, a Marion County Superior Court recently upheld Indiana's ban on gay marriage. Nevertheless, the issue did come to the United States Senate in 1996 and I voted in favor of the Defense of Marriage Act, which passed the Senate 85-14 and was signed into law by President Clinton. The law ensured that a state does not have to recognize same-sex marriages sanctioned in another state.

"I doubt whether a constitutional amendment or legislation beyond the Defense of Marriage Act is required at this time. I am aware that some legislators have discussed additional proposals and President Bush has joined them. I will study very carefully the exact language of each of these measures when they are formally drafted as well as evolving circumstances including important judicial rulings in Indiana and in the federal courts."

— press statement (5-27-04)

**DeWine (OH):**

"U.S. Senator Mike DeWine's spokeswoman, Amanda Flaig, said the Cedarville Republican believes 'marriage is between a man and a woman,' but he is still considering whether an amendment is needed."

— *Dayton Daily News* (3-25-04)

**Voinovich (OH):**

"I believe that marriage is fundamentally a sacred union between a man and a woman. I strongly support the traditional definition of marriage and believe it should be protected in the most effective and immediate way possible. I will fight hard to defend it.

"Right now the best strategy is to see that existing federal laws defending marriage are upheld and that more states

follow Ohio's lead and pass defense of marriage laws and enforce them. Federal constitutional amendments are very difficult to pass and a premature vote now in the Senate would likely fail, doing more harm than good to our long-term prospects of defending this basic building block of our society.

"If federal and state laws are overruled by the courts we must then seek passage in Congress of a constitutional amendment to preserve marriage as a union between a man and a woman, and I would fight hard to win its passage. Marriage must be defended."

— press release (5-21-04)

**Landrieu (LA):**

"Typically, marriage laws are almost exclusively governed by state law. Federal statutes, however, rely on marital status to determine eligibility for tax filings and federal benefits. The Defense of Marriage Act, enacted in 1996 prohibits federal recognition of same sex marriage and allows individual states to refuse to recognize same sex marriages performed in other states. With this act already on the books, I don't believe it is necessary to amend the Constitution to address this issue. "

— statement (6-15-04)

**Breaux (LA):**

"Breaux said that while same-sex marriage is 'counter to a long-standing tradition that is the cornerstone of our culture,' he opposed amending the Constitution 'because each state can adequately address this issue.'"

— *Associated Press* (2-25-04).

**Murkowski (AK):**

"I support the definition of marriage as that between one man and one woman, and I would support a constitutional amendment that reinforces the Defense of Marriage Act. Recently an additional amendment has been introduced in the Senate and there are several other proposals being considered. I remain concerned about the respective state's rights under the various proposals and will be studying all the options carefully. Alaska had the foresight several years ago to amend our state Constitution to provide for the traditional definition of marriage. Other states should retain that right as well."

— statement (6-14-04)

**Hagel (NE):**

"Marriage between a man and a woman is an honored social and sacred institution that dates back thousands of years in civilization. It is for this reason that I am opposed to same sex marriages. However, I do not support amending the U.S. Constitution to ban same sex marriage at this time. I support the 'Defense of Marriage Act' law.

"This Act denies federal recognition of same sex marriages and allows states to ignore same sex unions licensed elsewhere.

"States, not the federal government, have the responsibility for social contracts. The Nebraska Constitution defines marriage as a union between a man and a woman. Like Nebraska, 37 other states have either banned same-sex marriages or passed laws refusing to recognize same-sex marriages performed elsewhere. These laws appropriately reflect the views of citizens in a majority of states.

"Massachusetts is one of 12 states without specific language banning same sex marriage. Last November, the Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts ruled that the state could no longer prohibit same sex couples from getting married. Currently, Massachusetts is the only state issuing marriage licenses to same sex couples.

"Massachusetts Governor Mitt Romney (R) is working to pass a state constitutional amendment that would prohibit same sex marriage (like 38 other states). However, amending the Massachusetts Constitution is a multi-year process requiring a majority vote by two successive legislatures, followed by a vote from the public.

"Over the next several months, the House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate will continue to explore the complex issues surrounding state laws and same sex marriage. Additionally, the District Court of Nebraska will rule on a case involving the validity of Nebraska's state constitutional amendment.

I will keep an open mind as the debate on this issue develops."

— constituent letter (6-14-04)

**Ben Nelson (NE):**

"Sen. Nelson opposes the federal amendment because as a former governor, he's a strong believer in states' rights and he thinks this is a matter for the states to deal with."



— David Dimartino, Nelson press officer (6-9-04)

"The states should decide whether to ban same-sex marriages, Sen. Ben Nelson, D-Neb., said Tuesday. A constitutional amendment would "infringe on state's rights," said Nelson, who supports Nebraska's ban on same-sex unions. "I fail to see where this has reached nation proportions where a federal constitutional amendment is necessary"

— *Associated Press* (2-24-04)

**Pryor (AR):**

"I oppose same-sex marriage and fully support the Defense of Marriage Act which clearly defines marriage as a union between only a man and a woman. It further declares that no state is required to honor a same-sex relationship sanctioned by another state. This is the supreme law of the land, passed overwhelmingly by Congress and it reflects the will of a vast majority of the American people.

"The need for a constitutional amendment should be clearly and convincingly demonstrated. At this point, I do not think there is a need for a constitutional amendment. We have a federal law and we have a judicial process which should be given time to work. Until the United States Supreme Court says otherwise, the law of our land prohibits federal recognition of same-sex marriages -- that law should be observed and respected."

— news release (2-24-04)

**Lincoln (AR):**

"Historically, domestic and family law matters have been governed almost exclusively by state law," Lincoln said.

"Therefore, I support and respect Arkansas law, which defines marriage in our state as a union between a man and a woman, regardless of where the marriage is performed. I believe that this policy is sound and accurately reflects the judgment of the citizens of our state.

"I support current federal law that prohibits federal recognition of same-sex marriages and permits individual states to refuse to recognize such marriages performed in other states. Given the law already on the books and the states' traditional authority in this area, I do not believe a constitutional amendment is appropriate."

— press statement (6-17-04)

**Dorgan (ND):**

*(Sen. Dorgan's office would not provide a statement to Focus on the Family)*

**Conrad (ND):**

"Marriage should be reserved to relationships between a man and a woman. Only these pairings can produce children. But I do not believe an amendment to the Constitution of the United States is the appropriate answer at this time. I believe a constitutional amendment should be the last course of action after every other possible course has been exhausted. In 1996, I voted for the Defense of Marriage Act, which authorizes each state to make its own decision of whether to recognize a same-sex marriage that was recognized in another state. That continues to be my preferred outcome and the law of the land."

— statement (6-14-04)

**Daschle (SD):**

"Minority Leader Thomas A. Daschle, D-S.D., said he is 'very much opposed' to the Massachusetts decision but sees no need for a constitutional amendment."

— Washington Post (2-6-04)

**Johnson (SD):**

QUESTION: Sen. Frist said he would support a constitutional amendment to ban homosexual marriage. Would you support such an amendment if it were offered in the Senate?

JOHNSON: No, there's no need for such an amendment. It's just nonsense.

QUESTION: Do you think that because it's not likely to happen? Or, if it became imminent that it was going to happen, would you think that would then be appropriate, that kind of amendment?

JOHNSON: It's not imminent, and this is a state-by-state decision about government laws on marriage and civil unions."

— interview, from "Senators Hesitant to Back Frist on Marriage Amendment," by David Freddoso, *Human Events Online* (7-11-03)

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